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for our January sale is ready. This is really all that is necessary to say; but we would like to add that we think it is better and contains more distinct novelties and better values than we have ever offered.

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Now that the rush of the Holidays has passed give some thought to your own wardrobe. If you require a Suit, an Overcoat or trousers, take advantage of our markdown bargains and low tariff prices. This means closing out quite a large quantity of goods at about onefourth less than their real value. Also a complete line of men's furnishing goods for less than cost. Look them over.

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BY TELEGRAPH. SCENES OF HORROR.

Daylight Shows the Catastrophe at The California Murderer Sen-London, Ont., to Have Been Worse Than Reported.

London, Ont., Jan. 4.—The Union Jack : in its narrow space. Incre was a lull in floats at half must today over city hall, but it is not needed to remind the citizens of the horrors of last night. Daylight revealed the scene devoid of its horrors of death, the victims having all been removed to their homes. But city hall presents the appearance of a wreck and the street in front of it is crowded with curious and sorrowing citizens. The list of dead number 25, but it is

much to be feared that it is not yet completed. Many of the injured are not expected to recover and many others wil be confined to their beds days and week; and some for months. The list of injured can never be made entirely complete so far as the minor sufferers are concerned. As one looks at the ruins today the wonder is that there were so many escaped among the 500 persons who made the fearful drop. It was nothing short of miraculous that so many are alive today City Engineer Graydon states that the cause of the accident was the breaking of a heavy beam which ran beneath the floor almost at the center of the space whic gave way. This beam was composed of 12 3x4 timbers, securely joined together.

The joists ran east and west from the beam resting on the walls of the engineer's office. There was a space of 13 feet. The beam broke in the centre, rolling all the people standing in this space into one mass. The engineer states 'that the supports of this floor were not taken away in making recent alterations. The wall where this joist rau was taken out in 1883. The engineer did not consider the carried to an adjoining room, and in a hall dangerous and says that; the tre-mendous dead weight simply caused the beam to snap.

London, Ont., Jan. 4.—A catastrophe exceeding in suddenness and destruction to human life any of the untoward visitations in the history of this community shocked the people of London last might beyond the power of expression Yesterday the culmination of an exciting canvass for municipal offices was witnessed, and, as has been their wont, the people assembled in the evening to listen to speeches from the victors. The meeting was without incident and was about to be adjourned when a good portion of the room collapsed in that section, to the number of 150 or more, dropped 20 feet to the floor below. An alarm of fire was sounded, and the fire brigade soon responded and began the work of removing the debris and taking from the ruins the bodies of the dead and injured. The list of dead is as follows. F. Heaman, C. Beckett, E. Luxton, N. Carrithers, R. Leigh, Mr. Harris, L. W. Burke, John Smith, Mr. Talbot, A. Phillips, John Turner, Ben Nash, J. W. Borland, Mr. Hilburn and

Frank Robinson. How many were injured will never be known, as those who suffered but slightly at once made for their homes, or were taken care of by their friends. Those who were more seriously injured were carried to dru gstores, whence they were taken to the hospital or to their homes after their injuries had been attended to. The dead were taken to the committee rooms of Alderman Parnell, the defeated candidate for mayor, across the

The building was crowded to the very doors, probably 2000 people being jammed

the proceedings and the audience called for several of the newly elected aldermen. Alderman Carrothers joined the mayor in an effort to secure quiet. In response to numerous calls R. M. Toothe was pushed forward to the platform on which the speakers stood. As he reached it there was an ominous crackling, and the raised platform on which the mayor and newly elected aldermen were seated see .. d to pitch forward to the floor. 1 ..ere was a sagging of timbers, and the next moment 150 people were hurled 20 feet to the floor below.

A beam running 20 feet along the center of the hall had given way, and the crowded masses standing above that section of the floor were thrown in a heap to the bottom. A large safe stood in one corner of the hall, and a huge steam coll weighing half a ton came crashing down on the heads of the victims. Following the crash there was a wild rush for the doors. At the south door, where the majority of the crowd entered, there was a terrible panic. Those in front were thrown down by the encoming rush of persons, shricking and fighting for the door and safety. Only one-half of the rear door, a space of probably three feet, was open, and in the mad rush no one thought to open the door in its entirety, and 500 persons struggled through the narrow space, the strong bearing down the

Within a moment after the floor had fallen in, there were not more than three persons in the hall on that portion of the floor which had not fallen. Alderman Cooper was among the first to be dragged out of the mass of broken beams and shricking humanity. He was quickly moment half a dozen more were keeping him company. Severalmen lowered ropes and endeavored to haul the wounded out of the pit. From under the massed weight of the broken beams came many cries for help. The windows on the ground floor were broken in, and the living and dead passed to the waiting ambulances.

A glance at the wreck after the catastrophe disclosed the fact that a whole section of the floor had dropped, the joints being as neatly cut off as though the work had been done with a saw. The building was an old ome, having been erected in the early fifties, and of late years additional stories had been placed on the old walls.

In the Grand opera house, which adjoins the wrecked building, the first act of "The Girl From Paris" had just been concluded when word was whispered through the theater of the calamity. A panic was imminent, but it was averted by the actors and usbers, and the people quietly left the building.

2 a. m.—Twenty-four known dead is the list at this hour. In addition to those named already, these are dead: W. H. Dell, James McLean, John Barridge, Stephen Williams, Oswald Brine, B. Jacques, John Fellows, Allen Lowe and an unidentified man.

Both of the city hospitals are full and many of the injured are at their homes. Many of those carried down by the falling floor were boys from 14 to 16 years old. Some of them managed to squirm from under heavy beams where men could not move. Despite this, however, a number of them were killed, their lives being crushed out by the beams gradually settling upon them, borne down by the heavy iron safe and the steam

INDIVIDUAL IMPORTANCE. Ex-Comptroller Discusses It In an Address at Chicago. Chicago, Jan. 4.-James H. Eckels, ex-

comptrofler of the currency, delivered an address at the convocation exercises of the Chicago university last evening. His subject was "Public Leadership," and a large audience applauded his sentiments. He expressed the opinion that during the flavery agitation during the years before the civil war, individual importance was undesirable, and continuing said: "Today, however, the country finds itgelf confronted by a situation where individual importance of action not only will not jeopardize the nation's interests, but must be invoked to rid it o's the threatened dangers. I do not underestimate the patriotism of those who lead party organizations and fill places of legislative and administrative trust. but there must be something radically wrong in existing public morals and public service when questions of great national importance are treated from the point of view of mere local desires instead of on the broader ground of a whole country's interests. It cannot but suggest more than one serious doubt as to the future glory of the country when there is noted the tendency on the part of public servants to compress the interests of all the people within the narrow confines of a congressional district, and measure the wisdom of taking courageous action by the possibilities of an election. The strength of political party organization has in recent years been built up at the expense of party principles and public good.

"Out of all tuis disturbing and this destroying force of party organization there has still come the largest measure of inestimable value to the public. It has aroused the business men to political action, called to duty the scholar, and created to a greater or less degree

independence even in a partisan press. "I am confident that the public leadership which is now the most forceful thing for good in municipal, state and national affairs rests with those elements in our social and political system. Its protest is against lowering the standard of American national and commercial integrity; its demand that the country shall have a financial system national in construction and adequate to properly meet the changing needs of trade and

commerce. It rightfully insists that those men who have the power and the opportunity to act shall not take counsel of political expediency or endanger the financial fabric of the nation through unnecessary delay."

Will Not Be Wide Open. New York, Jan. 4.—The police commissioners had all the commanding officers and captains of greater New York before them Monday. In an address President York said there would be no political preference in the department, and that all laws on the statute books must be rigidly enforced. Gambling and lottery laws were especially referred to. In regard to the widely discussed action of the old board under Theodore Roosevelt, President York said: "We don't want men detailed on the street to arrest women for the purpose of discovering disorderly houses." That is not part of your duty as officers, but we expect you to break up such places and stop all violations, whether gambling or social. The impression has gone abroad through the public prints that the incoming of this board meant that there would be an open city. There will be none, so far as this department is concerned, but we want the laws broadly construed and liberally enforced."

Mr. York said that the Brooklyn police officers, who were gold lace shoulder straps, would have to conform to the uniform of the New York police, who wore none. Instead of waiting to have the expensive straps removed neatly by a tailor, the Brooklyn officers almost to a man tore the gold from their shoulders. They were given on the spot to the men's friends as mementoes of the day wher Brooklyn owned itself.

Leccuiliary's Crime.

Farmville, Va., Jan. 4 - Fire broke out Sunday night in the storage warehouse of Duval. Rob a on & Co., commission merchants, p ' Costroyed 34 buildings, The loss is councied at \$150,000, on which there is insurance of about one**third** that amount. Among the buildings destroyed were

13 tobacco fic ories, a large warehouse, many small dwellings and workshops. Hundreds of laborets will be temporarily thrown out of employment. It is estimated that one million pounds of tobacco were consumed. The fire, it is explained, was incendiary.

BY TELEGRAPH. FOR DURRANT'S LIFE.

tenced to Die Friday Has New Hopes for Life.

Durrant visited Governor Budd yesterday and petitioned for executive interference in his case on the ground that Durrant was a vital witness in the slander suit of his mother against Juror Smythe. The governor reserved his decision.

The fact that the governor has reserved his decision gives Durrant's atterneys and friends a considerable hope.

Durrant has rehearsed the scene of his own death. At his request made without | tiou. emotion, he has been told every incident that will mark the minutes of his last hours. The authorities are afraid his attorneys will create a scene at the execu-

San Francisco, Jan 4.-Attorneys or | tion. Durrant has requested that the rope which hangs him shall be immedlately destroyed, that no spectator be allowed to see his face after death, that no autopsy be performed or no physican allowed to examine the body and that the body be delivered to his parents.

His father has received what purports to be the original confession of Joseph Blanther to the murders of Blanche Lamontand Minnie Williams, and they will be used as a final effort at stay of execu-

Durrant is sentenced to be hanged Friday at 10 a.m., and will die then unless these latest efforts to save his life prove successful.

ENGLAND'S HAND.

Large Loan for China in London for England's Benefit.

authority from the best informed quarters in Paris, announces today that since Thursday last important negotiations Paris and St. Petersburg to arrange loan | Paris on London.

having failed, China thereupon offered to contract for \$80,000,000 in London.

At the same time China asks good offices of the British government. China it appears contemplates offering as security a land tax under control of Englishmen, and that furthermore an Englishman shall succeed Sir Robert Hart as director of Chinese imperial maritine customs. In addition Great Berlin, Jan. 4.—The Cologne Gazette, on Britain will insist upon a concession of

The Cologne Gazette adds that it is understood Russia has renewed her offer to have been proceeding in London for a China to conclude a loan in Germany on Chinose loan. The attempts made in more favorable terms than obtainable in

THE JONES CASE. Harvard Professor Testified to the Results of an Analysis.

Dover, N. H., Jan. 4. Good progress was made during the first day of the preliminary hearing of Alfred W. Jones, charged with the murder of his mother, Sally W. Jones. Mrs. Jones died in December, 1896, and it is claimed by the local authorities that her death was caused by arsenic. Just previous to her death. Mrs. Jones was under treatment by a physician, having received severe injuries from being thrown from a carriage near Rochester, where she was going with her husband, William Jones. While only two witnesses were heard their testimony was most important for

Professor Edward F. Wood of the Harvard medical school testified to receiving a letter from Alfred W. Jones in relation to an examination of the stomach and intestines of his mother , who, he was positive, had been poisoned. Professor Wood also told of receiving the stomach and intestines of the deceased, and of finding a small quantity of arsenic, but the examination as yet is not complete. He was not able to form an opinion whether the arsenic caused her death until a further examination had been made and he had been informed of her appearance before and after her death.

The other witness of the day was William Jones, aged 72 years, father of the accused and the husband of the deceased. He proved an excellent witness for the state in reciting the particulars of the ascident sickness and death of his wife, ar I the finding of Alfred looking into a clust that contained valuable property of the household. Dec. 3 M.s. Jones had sufficiently recovered that she worked around the house, and Affred was a frequent caller. Mrs. Jones was taken sick about 2.30 that afternoon and, being in great distress, went to bed immediately. She died Dec. 5 after suffering fearful agony. "Alfred told me that his mother was going to die and for me to choose whether I should go with him to his house, or to the county farm. When Sally was dying, Alfred asked Mrs. Prescott for the keys to the chest where the money and papers were kept. He unlocked the chest and took out the bankbook and papers. In the chest were \$40 in bills and \$10 in gold. There were aeso diamonds m the chest, together with two notes from Aifred to his mother, one for \$150 and another for \$210," testified Mr. Jones. Mr. Jones said that he was powerless to stop his son. He looked in the chest on Thursday and did not find any of the valuables. Henever had any poison about the house, and did not

poison his wife. Workmen Badly Injured. Attleboro, Mass., Jan. 4.—Charles Rand of Newburyport, Mass., and George Healey were seriously hurt, the former undoubtedly fatally, by an explosion of dynamite in North Attleboro yesterday. They were at work on a section of the state highway. A few days ago an obstructing ledge was encountered, and blasting was begun. Rand began drilling at the place where work was left off last week. It is probable that a loose stick of dynamite had rolled into a crevice and that this was struck by the drill, for the explosion cannot be accounted for in any other way. The force of the dynamite was ter-

rific, and a shower of debris came down on the workmen and hurt nearly all of them. Rand was picked up unconscious, having had an eye blown out, his right hand mangled and his right leg fractured in two places. Healey had his right wrist broken, besides numerous had contusions. Rand was taken to the village, and from there to the Rhode Island hospital at Providence, his condition being extremely

A Lack of Sympathy.

Madrid, Jan. 4.-A number of Spanish gencials have been interviewed regardog the conduct of General Weyler in protesting against the alleged reflections upon Spain in President McKin'ey's message to congress. General Domingues approved of the government's course in submitting the matter to courtmartial, adding that if President Me-Kinley "has been guilty of insolence, it he the government's place to protest."

General Ochando approved of Genera Weyler's action. General Weyler's behavior, which is

classed here as "shuffling" in apologizing to the queen regent and hastily explaining to Premier Sagasta that ne was not responsible for the publication of his protest, has alienated many of his supporters among the Carlists, who hoped to entangle the general in the revolutionary meshes. They are especially disappointed at the fact that the government appears to be satisfied that the so-called Weyler bubble has burst and that the Spanish army is not gangrened. It is said that only three of the Spanish generals are in sympathy with General Weyler. The government will send 5000 troops

o Cuba at the end of January and further troops up to 14,000 will be sent to the island if needed.

Young, but Victous. Lexington, Mass., Jan 4.-Henry A. Frost, aged 21, who has lived in East Lexington for two months, and who

claims to be a weaver from Lowell, will be taken to Concord to answer the charge of breaking and entering a building, and assault with intent to kill. He was caught by Arthur M. Griffin, who, when entering the yard of his home, heard the crash of glass and found a man trying to get through a broken window. The man attacked Griffin with a knife, but failed to wound, as the latter was too quick in cluding the savage lunges. After a fight Griffin overpowered the stranger and conducted him to the Arlington police station.

Legality of Trading Stimps. Boston, Jan. 4 .- Judge Burke of the municipal court has refused to entertain a complaint introduced, it is thought, to make a test case as to the legality of the use of trading stamps. The complaint charged a well-known firm of this city with disposing of personal property of the value of \$47 in violation of chapter 277 of the acts of 1884.

Judge Burke, after hearing the evidence, held a whispered conversation with counsel for both sides, and declined to issue warrants on the complaint, on the ground that there was nothing in the transaction which was in violation of chapter 277 of the acts of 1884.

Old Tuners Become Mixed. Fall River, Mass., Jan. 4.-The election of city officers by the city council in joint convention Monday afternoon was attended by many surprises and the complete overthrow of the Davol faction, which was generally conceded to have won at the polls, where the fight was begun. The big surprise was the defeat of Chief of the Fire Department William C. Davol, after 14 years of continuous service, by ex-Assistant Chief James Langford. Jonathan E. Morrill, after 29 years as superintendent of Oak Grove cemetery, was defeated by Thomas B. Standing and John Morris, superintendent of the north burial ground, was superseded by Michaei O'Brien. These changes were a complete surprise to the general public, and City Messenger James D. Crosson's re-elec tion for the 13th time was by many con sidered doubtful.

course of Physical Training. Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 4.-A prenounced innovation is likely to be introduced at Harvard within the near future in the shape of a prescribed course of physical training for fresh-Several -plans have been sugmen. gested, but the one which meets the most approval from the members of the faculty committee on physical training is a system which provides for a compulsory examination and a prescribed course of gymnastics for three hours a week during the freshman year. The pinn will remain open to discussion for some time longer, but will probably be adopted in its essential features next

THE WEATHER INDICATIONS.

ALMANAC, WEDNESDAY, JAN. 5. Sun rises-7:14: sets, 4:27. Moon sets-5:32 a. m. High water-9:80 a. m.; 10 p. m.

The indications point to a continuation of fair weather in New England through Wednesday. The temperature will rise decidedly by Wednesday night, winds becoming variable and shifting to south-West.

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we have made the reduction general and calculated to move all the remainder of our stock. Fine English twills, corduroys, fancy double faced goods and cassimeres, all come in at the reduced price. In our State St. windows \$2 to 16, with best values at \$3.50, 4, 5 and 6. Boys' and children's suits and overcoats at prices that talk



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Forming a Minstrel Troupe-Gale Hose Company Issues Invitations -Barn Burned Down-Dr. Woodbridge Goes to See the Governor -Classes for Evening Study.

Casses for Evening Study. Circulars have been issued regarding the men's classes for evening study, which will begin the week of January 17 and continue until the first week in April. It is believed there are men in the community who will be glad of an opportunity to improve their education, and for this reason the classes will be organized. Similar classes were started last winter by Rev. Theodore Sedgwick and good work was done. Undoubtedly many members of those classes will join those about to be ormed and it, is expected that enough more will come in to make the classes considerably larger than those of last year A number of students have volunteered to assist in teaching, as was the case a year

ago. The subjects of study proposed are English composition, English literature American constitution government' American history, arithmetic and French. Three or more persons desiring a course of study not specified will be taught if it is practicable. The classes will meet in rooms on the second floor of Gale's block, the class in each subject to hold one session each week. To defray necessary expenses a fee of 50 cents will be charged for each course of study taken. Those desiring to join any of the classes are requested to apply to the secretary, A. E. Evens, room 4, Gale's block, between 7.30 and 9 o'clock on the evenings of January 6 and 11.

Forming a Minstrel Troupe.

A minstrel troupe is being organized by George Rounds and George Bryant. The company will consist of about 15 persons, Pittsfield. It is expected that Bert Crosier of North Adams will join and most, if not all, of the other members will be secured in this town. Messrs. Bryant and Rounds are good musicians and two more good ones are Elmer Morehouse and C. L. Bryant. These four play for dancing parties occasionally and are good amatenr minstrels. The balance of the company will be booked as soon as possible and then a room will be secured and practice will begin. It is proposed to play in the small towns in this region. The boys do not anticipate big profits, but expect to have lots of fun and hope to pay expenses and perhaps a little more.

Invitations Issued.

The concert and ball to be given by Gele Hose company, January 21, in the opera house, is to be an invitation affair. n which respect it will differ from those held by the old fire company, all of which were public. Three hundred invitations have been issued, and if the evening is pleasant the hall will in all probability be filled. It was intended to serve the supoer in the hose room under the opera house, and arrangements have since been made to set the tables in the rooms of the Father Mathew society, just across the street. These are much more suitable for the pleasure of the guests.

Objections to Football.

Our football rules, or those to which objection is specially made, are ingenious and cunning, but they lack common sense and intelligence. They tend more and more to eliminate individual effort and to depend upon combinations whose effect shall be irresistable. But what sport is there in being irresistible? What sport demands is open confpetition of man against mah, or, if you please, of equal numbers against each other. Nothing could be more stupid and objectless than the heaped up rushes and collisions of our football matches. The true game is to get the ball through the enemy's goal, and any rule

which tends to take the accomplishment of that aim from individuals and give it to masses is a rule in the wrong direction. The prizefighters are justified in saying that football, as now played here, is a more brutal and dangerous game than prizefighting. It is lack of intelligence in framing rules which has made it so. A little common sense and independent thought would make the game not only free from serious danger, but far more interesting both to play and to watch. Buthe whole idea thus far has been to plan such combinations as the other side, being taken at a disadvantage, cannot withstand. Success becomes a mere question of mechanics, with the human element more and more eliminated. In war this principle is sound. But sports are not war in that sense. They are designed not to win a ceftain prize, but to find which man or men are the best. A football team drilled in devices more ingenious than those of the other side wins the game, but the glery belongs not to the team, but to the planner of the devices. What sport or what legitimate satisfaction is there in that? The game might as well be played | great pressure between the eyes, and the on the blackboard and every once in awhile a player be crushed to death under steam hammer.—Colher's Weekly.

Easy When You Know How. A Dresden paper, the Weidmann, which thinks that there are kangaroos (heutelratte) in South Africa, says the Hottentots (Hottentoten) put them in cages (Fotter) provided with covers (lattengitter) to protect them from the rain. The cages are therefore called lattengitterwetterkotter and the imprisoned kangaroo lattengitter. wetterkotterbautelratte. One day an assassin (attentater) was arrested who had killed a Hottentot woman (Hottentotenmutter), the mother of two studid and stuttering children in Strattertrotel. This wontan, in the German language, is entilted - Hottentotenstroftertrottelmutter, and her assassin takes the name Hottentetenstrettermutterattentater. The murderer was confined in a kangaroo's cage (beutelrattenlattengitterwetterkotter), shence a few days later he escaped, but fortunately he was recaptured by a Hettentot, who presented himself at the mayor's office with beaming face.
"I have captured the beutelratte," said

he. 🤏 🐪 "Which one?" said the mayor. "We have several." ''The attentaterlattengitterwetterkotter-

beutelratte." Which attentator are you talking

*bout?"

"About the Hottentotenstrottertrottelmutterattentator." "Then why don't you say at once the

H o t t e n totenstrottelmutterattentaterlattengitterwetterkotterbeutelratte!"

Barn Burned Down.

A barn on the Field farm at South Williamstown, owned by the James Fitzgerald estate, was burned to the ground Saturday night, It was full of hay. The barn stood in a meadow remote from any other building and the fire must have been the work of an incendiary.

To Be Heard by the Governor.

Dr. L. D. Woodbridge went to Boston this afternoon to lay before the governor Wednesday what he has to reveal in regard to the O'Neil case. Dr. Woodbridge's action has created much interest and there is general speculation as to the re-

Albert Bradley went to Manchester, N. H., last week to work in the Mancester print works. His brother has been employed there for two or three years and secured a place for him.

Parley Bradley, who has charge of the lockup, reports tramps pretty numerous these days.

The trolley cars were considerably obstructed by snow Monday, especially between Main street and the depot. The wind blew a gale most of the time and the snow filled in on the tracks on Southworth avenue, Church street and Cole avenue to an extent which necessitated much shoveling and occasioned considerable delay.

A regular meeting of Ga'e Hose company was held Monday evening.

George Rounds returned Monday from Adams, where he played for dancing parties Friday and Saturday nights. The mercury was from 15 to 20 below in

different parts of the town Sunday morning and was "way down" again this Special services in observances of the

week of prayer began at the Congregational church Monday evening and will continue every evening this week except Saturday. Dr. Bascom will be the leader two of whom will be colored girls from one evening and Dr. Denison one even-

Week of prayer servi

the Methodist church Wednesdy evening and continue through the week with the exception of Saturday evening. Special services will also be held next week.

Principal H. A. Strong and family returned last week from Winsted, Conn., where they spent the holiday vacation. Miss Chamberlain, assistant in the high school, returned last week from a visit to

Miss Ruth Mears and Miss Marjorie Burr, who were home during the holiday vacation, returned to Vassar college to-

About 20 pupils are out of the Centre school suffering with the mumps, which are the cause of vacancies in the ranks of

some of the other schools also. Roy Middlebrook of Crosier's market is on the sick list.

, A party of about 40 people rode to South Williamstown Monday night in two of McMahon's four-horse sleighs and had a dance and supper at the Idlewild. It was the first sleighing party entertained by Landlord Savage this winter

A team owned by John A. Torrey was left for a minute Monday in front of the postoffice. It was not a good day to trust horses alone and they started off on a the purpose than the hose room, and this Hely run through New street, but were change in the plan will add materially to stopped when they reached Water street

Many a woman has felt the depths of

humiliation, when her head filled to suffo-

cation and matter running from it down

she was making a special effort to be en-

company, that doesn't make this particu_

But to bear it, to endure all the incon-

venience, humiliation, actual misery, re-

Mrs. James Chrystal, 42 Marshall street,

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The room occupied by the chief is the least impressive of all the five in which the junta helds forth. It cannot be more than 10 feet long, and it is so narrow that if a tall man were to be across it on the floor his head would touch one wall and

her throat was causing intolerable nausea his feet the other. she has been forced either to hawk and spit or to swallow the disgusting matter she knew as causing the trouble. Many a woman can remember, when, just as tertaining and to please, her words were choked off by the same never ceasing dropping of matter down from her head into her throat. What's that? You've felt it? Of course you have; few in this climate escape. But though misery loves sulting from the disease that causes the trouble, is not necessary. Not at all. You can check it at once, you can cure it in a fermight. And by the simplest means with no trouble and at an expense

A Little Story of the Boss.

so trifling as to be almost nothing. Hundreds of women in North Adams have The other day a quiet looking, iron gray tried it, and they know. Listen to what North Adams, says: "The first time I used California Catarrh Cure, it relieved me. My head was badly filled up, there was lowing or hawking most of the time. I got a bottle of C. C. C. at Burlingame & Darbys' and the relief from these disagreeable symptoms has been so great that even if it never cures, I shall never do without California Catarrh Cure is sold at all drug stores. A big bottle for 50c, and one package o GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The

"Who was that man you spoke to outsido?" queried the shorkcoper. "Man name of Croker-Richard Croker.

Episcopal Church Statistics. Whittaker's "Protestant Episcopal Al-

manac" for 1898, which is out, is a careover the previous year,

CHIEF OF THE JUNTA.

FAIR CUBA'S REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GREATER NEW YORK.

Tomas Estrada Palma and the Dingy Headquarters on New Street Which He Occupies-Why the Cigar Makers Do Not Go and Fight-A Groker Incident.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.- [Special.]-Tomas Estrada Palma, chief of the Cuban junta in New York, is as unprotentious in person as are the headquarters from which he directs the work of collecting funds to carry on the war, and that is saying a good deal. The home of the junta is away down

town, at 56 New street, in a building that was better than the average in construction and appearance years ago when it was put up and when Bowling Green, not many blocks away, was faced by fashionable residences. Now, however, it is far behind the times. It is completely overshadowed by the Alpine heights of a row of skyscrapers that front on Broadway and hide it from the sun during every after-

New street itself is dingy and unpretentious despite the vast transactions that are daily accomplished there. Even when the buildings abutung upon it were all low and unostentatious, like 56, the street looked strangely inadequate because of its narrowness; now it is a mere canyon, nothing in the main but a fissure between towering walls. Visiting the Chief.

The junta occupies five bare rooms, and if you were a stranger seeking Cuban headquarters you would never find the place by reason of any sign or signal, for there is none, either over the door or in the hallway leading to the stairs and from which the elevator ascends. The name of Tomas Estrada Palma appears on the wall in the hall, to be sure, but that is all. Your entrance must be through a back

room up one story. It is not a large apartment, but still the largest of the five. It used to contain a stand up desk, a few wooden chairs, a lot of boxes of certain supplies, such as salves and the like, to be sent to the front by the next filibustering craft; quantities of circulars and blank forms, and a typewriting machine, at which a young man performer was generally thumping vigorously. But the stand up desk and the typewriting machine have been removed, and the place is no longer used as a storeroom. Instead it serves as a sort of gathering place or club for resident Cubans. It is supplied with all the papers daily, and portraits of Cuban heroes and leaders look down from the walls. This room is in charge of a young man named Smith, not a Cuban, who asks questions of strange visitors. When they in turn ask questions, he answers them readily and volubly, though sometimes with a plentiful lack of clearness that might discourage a seeker after information who had not persistence.

It is in fact his duty to stand off undesirable visitors. But the caller who satisfies Mr. Smith that he has no ulterior designs is ushered into the presence without delay, unless Senor Palma is engaged, and always without much ceremony.

An Old Man For Chief.

Senor Palma appears to be an old, old man. He is little and gray and weazoned. There is something the matter with his right eye. His hands seem weak and nerveless, and you look to see them shake as if with the palsy. He speaks English imperfectly. But you need to talk with this old man

for a few minutes only to perceive that he is by no means the broken being he appears. Once get him started on the wrongs of his beloved Cuba and he will rise to heights of gentaine elequence, pouring out the sentences with a vehemence that is startling in its intensity. If he perceives that you have something of sympathy for the cause, he may call a Cuban fresh from the field into the room to talk with you. Some of those to whom the old man introduces visitors in such circumstances contrast strongly in their physical appearance with the chief, being tall, broad

own to those spoken by him.

But there are other Cuban offices in New York besides this of the junta on contracted New street. They are to be found in the most unlikely places by those who know, in old time business buildings, up almost interminable flights of stairs. behind Cuban eigar shops and in handsome brownstone fronted residences. And, of course, the Cuban cigar makers of this city, and of the whole country for the matter of that, are constantly pouring a stream of contributions into the coffers of all these places. Few of these contributions are large, taken singly, but in the aggregate they are almost sufficient to keep the insurgent forces going. For the fighters require no pay. They live off the country and need little hesides clothes. arms and ammunitions. It is because of the cigar makers' contributions, which are essential, that they are not encouraged to go to Cuba and help fight for independ-

man walked into a well patronized down town "gents' furnishing" shop—an 'aberdashery as they would call it on the other side of the water-and asked to see neckwear. There was an air of conscious power about the man that commanded respect, and the goods were laid before him with all possible obsequiousness. He seemed nuite oblivious to the efforts made to please him, stuck his hands deep in the packets of his well creased trousers and whistled softly while "ties" of many sorts were spread before him. Just as the chief aberdasher, thinking the man behind the showcase was somehow failing to please the man in front, was about to go to the rescue, the buyer stopped whistling and indicated the neckwear desired, a plain black four-in hand. After he went out the proprietor bethought him that there was something familiar about the customer's face. Through the window he was seen to speak to another who presently entered

P'rhaps you've heard of him," was the

Since then the "man name of Groker" has mades many purchases in that shop. He always refrains from commenting on the goods shown and whistles softly to himself until he finds exactly what he DEXTER MARSHALL.

ful and comprehensive digest of Episcopal church statistics and growth. There are at present in that church 4,776 clergymon, an increase of 58 over the previous year, 6,332 churches, an increase of 46; 664,083 communicants, an increase of 22,988, and 488,600 Sunday school scholars, an increase of 12,077. Its contributions for all purposes during the last year were \$12, 696,818.00, being an increase of \$10,98**8,65**

SKIRTS AND SLEEVES. The Latest Styles For Out of Door and

Visiting Attire.

The newest skirts are soft and pliable, close around the top, except at the extreme back, where the fullness is retained by a fan plait or by'a narrow cluster of gathers. No stiffening at all is used in the latest models, the foot of the skirt being allowed to fall in the graceful folds caused by the flaring cut of the back. Simplicity of line is the ruling characteristic.

at the top having almost disappeared, being replaced by a small puff or by a cap or epaulet of some sort, not large. The sleeve itself is tight and long, opening at the side of the wrist to allow the passage of the hand For calling and other out of door wear

It is the same with sleeves, the bouffancy

the cape pelerine of salite is the chosen wrap It consists of a cape coming down to the waist, with long, stole ends in front It consists of a cape coming down hanging nearly to the foot of the skirt.

Louis Quinze hodices, with a basque, are very appropriate for formal costumes for middle aged women. Brocade or



broche silk in black or colors is suitable. the best being of plain or embroidered satin. Ornamental buttons of antique design are required as a decoration.

White glace gloves are little worn, pearl, butter, putty and .rye i ades being more up to date. Embroidered gloves are seen fastened with little ernamental buttons of steel or silver instead of the ordinary button commonly used.

Blue in sky and turquoise shades as well as in deep tones is well forward in favor this season. A picture is given of a pretty little draped toque of black velvet, embroidered with jet spangles. At the left side is a torsade of turquoise velvet, which lifts the soft, black crown, and at the edge is another turquoise torsade, held by a steel buckle Black ostrich plumes form the trimming. JUDIC CHOLLET. OUTER GARMENTS.

What to Wear In Order to Be Both Warm and Fashionable.

Ball gowns for young girls being usually of very light materials, ball wraps are not very heavy, as they would then crush the toilet beneath. Plain satin, silk and wool moires or broche sating with a design of little flowers are the fabrics most often chosen for evening capes, which are made of half length, with a capuchon which may be raised over the head. A wadded lining is used, and fur, feathers or down forms the trimming, ribbons being placed on the hood and at the closing in front.

Muffs are no longer diminutive articles. little more than a name. They are of ample dimensions this season and of various odd shapes, often having a deep ruffle at each end. Velvet muffs trimmed with fur, flowers, ribbon and a jeweled buckle are much worn.

The little animal boas, with a natural head, so much worn for the past year or two, are sometimes used as a trimming instead of a neck wrap. A short, close bodice may be decorated by placing the head of the bea at the waist, the body passing upward around the collar

Entire skins of blue or silver fox are made into boas for wear on very cold days. They are large, warm and eminently fash-

Close bodines of cloth, embroidered,



ASTRARHAN CAPE.

n feature of the mode and serve as an excuse for the most fanciful needlework, as the decoration may be done at home. Braid, heavy cord, narrow gimp, beads and spangles are the trimmings employed in following out the design. An illustration is given of an elegant

cape of astrakhan. The fur is partly covored by deep points of blue velvet embroidered with jet spangles The capuchon of plain blue velvet is bordered with astrakhan, and a high collar is of fur. The muff of velvet and astrakhan matches the cape. A toque of blue velves trimmed with pheasant's plumes is worn. JUDIC CHOLLET.

Sympathetic Husband.

"How is your wife coming on?" asked an East St Louis man of an old negro whom he met in the Grand Union depot.

"Porely, sah. Yisterday she tried ter frow er flatiron at me, an de pore weman was so weak hit didn't reach me by ten feet. Hit zausts her, sah, iess ter hit me er grack wid de broomstick. My beart jess bleeds for her. "-New York Sunday World.

Isom Lawson, 18 years old, who murdered his father at Brush Creek, Ky., has been given a life sentence in the peni tentlary. Lawson killed his parent, who was a minister, by striking him on the head with a hoe because the father had corrected him for some misdemeanor. A slight collision occurred between the

French line steamer La Normandie and the Cunard liner Lucania as the former was docking in New York Monday. A few feet of the French boat's deck rail Lamb was found at the foot of the was smashed, and some of the passenstairs in her room. She was unconscious. gers grewrather alarmed. The Lucania and her body was covered with bruises. was not damaged in any way.

ACCESSORIES.

pense to the Fashionable Tellet. Large cravats of more or less elaboration are much worn. Plaited, in mousseline de sole, gauze or taffets or of material like the bodice, they form a very pretty and becoming finish. Cravats of fine old lace

Protty Trifles Which Add Charm and Ex-

are employed for elaborate gowns. High collars are cut in square or round tabs or are decorated with ruches, much



collars of fine linen, embroidered or hemstitched, are worn with simple costumes of wool and cloth. Separate fibers of curled ostrich plumage

are introduced as an edging for ruches, cravats and coquilles of gauze and lace. This decoration, which is seen in white, black and colors or in two tones together. to very light, delicate and fragile, and can hardly be looked at without sustaining damage, but it is soft and becoming, therefore desirable when it can be often Chemisettes of accordion platted gauze

or silk are worn under boleros of fur or embroidery. The chemisettes are decorated with bands of lace or guipure insertion. Plastrons of plaid silk are the mode with close bodiess of cloth. Bits of fur may be happily utilized this

winter to make a fashionable decoration. They must be cut into conventional form -squares, circles or palm leaves-and applied to the garmont to be adorned, being fastened in place by buttonhole stitching around the edge or an outline of cord. The illustration given today shows a

pretty blouse of plaid silk. It forms round plants in front, fastening in the middle with three gold buttons. A wide collar of white muslin covers the shoulders and is trimmed with embroidery and inset with insertion. The collar and cravat are of plaid silk, while the cuffs match the wide collar. The belt is of velvot JUDIC CHOLLET.

NEW STYLES.

The Latest Ways of Making and Trimming Gowns and Wraps, Plaited revers give variety to the bodice

and are used singly or in pairs. The ubiquitous blouse needs as much differentiation as original trimmings can give it. Openwork passementerie or embroidery forming a lattice composes charming yokes



VELVET GOWN.

and blouses for wear over bodices of pale tinted silk or satin. This decoration is usually black and is often enriched by metal effects.

Blouse jackets of cloth, velvet or fur are immensely worn and are the preferred style. Of course those of fur are the most esteemed, but braided cloth composes some very pretty ones, while heavy, rough cloaking is also effectively employed for

Hats, when they are of any size, are usually lifted at the left side, inclining slightly toward the right, the hair, when thus displayed, being loosely waved throughout.

Women who amuse themselves by indulging in all the fancies of the wardrobe have a sort of wrap which they wear over the pelgnoir during the process of hair-dressing. This wrap is large and loose, without sleeves, the armholes being finished with a frill of lace or of the material. Tails as a border for fur capes are a little out of date, a frill of fur, more or less

full, sometimes even fluted, being the

newest finish.

The illustration shows a costume of golden brown ribbed velvet, the skirt being decorated around the foot by an arrangement of white and gold galloon. The blouse bodice has a short basque and is trimmed with white satin embroidered with gold, the satin also forming bretelles and the lower of the two sleeve caps, the upper cap being of the velvet. Coquilles lace descend the front of the bodice. The helt and cuffs are of white satin embroidered with gold. The hat of being felt

is trimmed with chestnut brown plumes.

Mionzo Knappen of Albany, 70 years of age, committed suicide by shooting himself through the right temple. For a year past he had exhibited signs of an aber-

JUDIC CHOLLET.

ration of the mind, and more than once he had threatened to take his life. Mary Lamb of Philadelphia died Sunnight from a fractured skull. Malachi-Scannell, son by a first husband, is under arrest on suspicion of having caused her death. Saturday night Mrs. Ranges

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My Dear Ellen M.: Your letter asking for some special

recipes has just been received, and I have looked through my prescription books and think I have found just the things you went. In the first place, I will give you two recipes for BROWN BREAD

either of which will meet your approval, I think For No 1 Take two scant cups

of pearled cornmeal, two heaping cups of rye flour, one teaspoonful of sait and two heaping teaspoonfuls of baking powder, mix together thoroughly, then add one and one-half cups of dark molasses, and cold water enough to make a batter that will pour from the mixing dish. Beat thoroughly. Bake from three-quarters of an hour to an hour. This will make two small loaves. The second recipe is steamed instead

of baked, and many cooks peefer it cooked this way: BROWN BREAD No. 2.

One cup of Indian meal, one cup of

graham flour, one cup each of white flour, molasses, milk, a saltspoonful of salt and one teaspoonful of saleratus.

Steam three hours.

scorehing.

I send you here the recipe for RED CABBAGE which you want, and a good one it is. Select two small, solid heads of red cabbage, halve and slice. Put into a saucepan a tablespoonful of clean drippings, butter or any nice fat, and when hot put in the cabbage, with a teaspoonful of sait, three tablespoonfuls of vinegar and one onion, in which three or

four cloves have been stuck. Boil two hours and a haif, being very careful to add a very little water, if it tends toward

Here is an excellent way to make

CLAM CHOWDER,

a most acceptable dish these cold winter days. The materials needed are 50 round clams, sometimes called quahogs. a bowl of salt pork out fine, a bowl of onions, chopped, and the same of potatoes, cut in pieces as large as a walnut. Wash the clams thoroughly and put in. a kettle with half a pint of water; when the shells open remove the claims from them and chop fine, saving the clam water for the chowder, fry out the pork gently, and when the scraps are brown take them out and put in the chopped onions, frying them so delicately that they will not be noticeable in the chowder; add a quart of hot water to the onions, put in the clams, clam water and pork scraps, after it boils add the potatoes and when they are cooked the chowder should be thickened with a cup of powdered crackers, and then add a quart of fresh milk. Season with salt and pepper. Do not make the mistake of putting half crackers or pilot bread into the chowder. Serve toasted crackers and pickles with the chowder.

A good while ago I sent out a rule for

FIG PIE and here is another. For the cake part. use one cup of sugar, half a cup of butter. three eggs, half a cup of sweet milk, two cups of flour two heaping teaspoonfuls of baking powder, and flavor with vanilla; bake in two sheets, in round tins. For the filling for the pie or cake, whichever you choose to call it, use these ingredients: A pound of figs, washed and dried; chop them fine and put in a stewpan on the stove; pour over them a teacupful of-water, and add a half cup of sugar; cook until the mixture is soft and smooth. When cold spread between the layers of cake.

Mrs. M. M. P. writes me that she saw M. M. J.'s request for cider pies a while ago, and she sends one which she has tried and knows is good.

CIDER PIE. One teacupful of sugar, one teacupful of boiled cider, one tablespoonful of flour, one egg. Beat the egg to a froth, add the other ingredients, season with nutmeg and bake between two crusts. This recipe will be valued now, as apples are so scarce this year.

Now, I hope these healthful dishes will be tried by every reader and will prove more than satisfactory. Yours culinarily, COMFORT JONES,

Doctor of Cookery.

COCOANUT PIE. One coccanut, four eggs, two and a half cups of milk, one and a half cups of su-

gar, and butter the size of a nut. This will be enough for four pies. Cocoanut pies are usually made with cream and sheet cake. This recipe will be found to make a pleasant change, as it is made with one plain crust. JELLY PIE.

Make a nice crust; take two soda

crackers rolled fine and one cup of currant jelly; beat them well together, adding a little water, and bake in a quick oven. This is very good if one is fond of ples of the sweet sort.

Sustaining Pride. There is nothing so sustaining in pass-

ing through an ordeal as proper pride. An Atchison woman who was struck on the head by a beer bottle in her husband's hands claims that it was a champagne bottle. - Atchison (Kan.) Globe.

Trained For Torture. Algerian Chief-Prepare the young American for the torture chamber.

land Plain Donlage

The Captive-Pooh, old boy; you

can't scare me. I've been hazed.—Cleve-

The Fall River, Mass., spinners voted to accept the cutdown by a majority of

HEWS IN BRIEF,

cent cutdown in his salary, to conform to the cutdown in the mills in Manchester, N. II.

of the Burbank block in Pittsfield, Mass., did damage to the amount of about \$75,000. The upper part of the block was badly damaged. The building contained

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with butter the size of an egg and one and one-half tablespoonfuls of cornstarch, add one cupful of sugar and the pulp of one lemon, the yolks of two eggs and a little salt. Bake the crust and add the fitting when cooked. Frost with whites of eggs and two tablespoonfulls of granu'atel sugar

QUEEN'S LEMON PIE.

Boil three-quarters of a pint of water

Jasses, one-half cup of sugar, one-half cup of water and two tablespoonfuls of flour. This pie calls for two crusts, and is very nice. CRULLERS.

One cup sugar, one tablespoonful but-

ter, two eggs, one cup rich sweet milk,

three cups flour mixed with two tea-

spoonfuls Cleveland's Superior Baking

Powder, one teaspoonful salt.

LEMON PIE.

One lemon sliced thin, one cup of mo-

KLONDIKE SPONGE CAKE. Three cggs, three tablespoonfuls of water, one cup of sugar. Beat thorough-

ig. Gradually add one cup of flour to

which has been added one rounded teaspoonful of yeast ponder; beat thorughly and add one tablespoonful of vaulla extract FRIED SMELTS. (Mrs Rorer) Make a slight opening at the gills,

hen draw them between the thumb

nd finger, beginning at the tail. This

Drain, dust with salt and serve smcking

ill press out all the inside. Now dip hem first in beaten eggs, then in bread rumbs, and fry in very hot Cottolene.

HARD GINGERBREAD. One cup of butter, one and one-third cups of molasses, two-thirds of a cup of sugar, three eggs, one teaspoonful cream of tartar, two teaspoonfuls of soda and

one teaspoonful of ginger. SOFT GINGERBREAD.

one cup of boiling water, two tablespeonfuls of melted butter, a pinch of salt, two tablespoonfuls of ginger, one teaspoonful of cinnamon, one teaspoonful of soda in boining water. Beat together three minutes. To be eaten hot.

A GOOD BREAKFAST DISH.

Chop fine any kind of cooked lean meat, season with salt and pepper. Put a layer in a buttered dish, then a layer of bread crumbs and a few spoonfuls of gravy. Repeat the same, leaving bread crumbs on top. Dot with butter and bake until a nice brown.

POTATO CHOWDER.

Six large potatoes, boiled and mashed fine. Pour three pints of boiling muck into the potatoes, stirring all the ume. Add a lump of butter, size of an egg Strain and season with salt, pepper and parsley. If desired, a small onlon may be boiled with potatoes.

CHOCOLATE CAKE. One cup of butter, two cups of sugar, one cup of milk (scant), five eggs, leaving out the whites of two, two teaspoonfuls cream of tartar, one teaspoonful

soda, two and one-half cups of flour. BEEFSTEAK, SMOTHERED IN

ONIONS. To one pound of steak, use six onions. Slice and put into a hot spider, with one tablespoonful of butter and lard. Stir constantly, to prevent scorching, and fry a deep brown color, and turn into a hot covered dish. Then, in the same spider, fry the steak quickly. Serve on a hot platter, season with salt, pepper and but-

ter and pour the onions over all. TOMATO SAUCE.

one teaspoonful of sugar, two cloves, onehalf saitspoonful of pepper and a bit of bay leaf. Brown two tablespoonfuls of butter, add two tablespoonfuls of flour and pour on slowly one cup of brown stock and the strained tomatoes.

Cook one half a can of tomatoes with

SNOW BALLS. Take one cup of sugar, one cup of flour,

two tablespoonfuls of sweet milk, one teaspoonful of yeast powder and three eggs. Flavor with lemon. Put one tablespeonful of the mixture in a buttered cup and steam 20 minutes. Roll in white sugar while hot.

Thirty-five miners were imprisoned four days by a flood in a Mexican mine.

Rev. S. S. Bacon has requested a 10 per-

Fire which started in the third story

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Speaks Well of McBride.

The following article is taken from the Buffalo Express and is the opinion of a well-known baseball manager on the ability of Peter McBride of Rentrew, who is now attending Manhattan college in New York: "Happening to meet an Express reporter in a well-known resort a few days ago, Mr. Faatz took occasion to say that he thought there were several Poor Business as a Stellar men who played in the New York state league last summer who would do well in the Eastern league next summer. One of these was Pitcher McBride of the Lyon team. Manager Fautz says he is a sure Challenger Taking Good Care of Himself enough comer and needs only an experienced catcher behind him to develop into one of the greatest twirlers of the decade. McBride has all sorts of speed, and there is not another minor league twirler in the country who has a larger assortment of curves, says Faatz. He studies the batemen and can break off the ball in a man which will puzzle the foxiest man that ever swuag a stick."

Decision for Mr. Gritzbach.

In the civil case of Mrs. Mary Hasenfelder of North Adams against Joseph Gritzbach of this town, which was tried at North Adams recently, a decision in favor of Mr. Gritzbach was given. The suit was the result of a horse trade in which the plaintiff claimed alleged damages. Lawyer Harrington of this town and Lawyer Woodhead were the opposing attorneys. The costs of the court had to be paid by the plaintiff and taking everything into consideration it makes the horse which she got from Mr. Gritzbach an expensive animal.

Blown Of Her Feet.

Mrs. Young of Columbia street, Reasrew, met with a peculiar and serious accident Monday neon. She was going from the Renfrew company's gingham mill to her home for diamer, when a strong gale of wind blow her off her feet She fell heavily to the greund and sustained a cut on her chin. Her right elbow was badly bruised and her right cheek was scratched. The cut on her chin was closed with three stitches. Dr. Boom attended.

Funeral of Mr. Caswell.

Arrangements were completed Monday afternoon for the funeral of Whipple Caswell, who died suddenly New Year's day. The funeral was held in St. Paul's Universalist church this afternoon at 1.30 o'clock, Rev. O. I. Darling officiating. Edwin of Roomesburg, Pa., and Osborne of Connecticut, brothers of the deceased, took charge of the body which will be buried in the family burying lot in Jersey Shore,

G, A. B. Meeting.

The regular meeting of George E.Sayles post, G. A. R., was held Monday evening. In the morning the executive committee of the Berkshire Grand Army association met at Pittsfield and elected officers for the ensuing year, and the local post chose a field day committee to make local arrangements for the coming year. The committee is Commander F. E. Mole, Peter Powers and E. E. Phelps.

District Court.

William Mushaw and Karper Walczak were fined \$15 each in court Monday morning for disturbing the peace. Mrs. Walczak for interfering with an officer was fined \$5. Cornelius Riley, Katie Gardner, Thomas Bowles and William Masher were fined \$5 each for drunken-

For This Evening. Regular meeting and installation of the

Knights of Columbus. Regular meeting of the Alert Hose company.

Regular meeting of the Renfrew Caledonian club. Regular meeting of the Y. P. S. C. E. at

the Congregation house.

Jurops Drawn.

The regular meeting of the selectmen was held Monday evening and the following jurors were drawn: Grand juror for 1898, Larkin E. Dudley; traverse jurors for the next sitting of the superior court for criminal business, Charles A. Howland, Manley H. Sherman and Thomas Barrett.

Ernest R. Alexander of the Bay State Clothing company is in Boston on busi-

John J. Carney of Cherry street has been ill for the past few days. Rev. Fr. Marcoux of Indian Orchard is

the guest of Rev. L. O. Triganne. The postoffice has been fitted with elec-

tric lights.

The Colonial club is having its pool and billiard tables recovered. Miss Edith Simmons returned to Welles-

ley college today. Eugene Day of Zylonite is visiting in

Boston. Motorman Wilsey of Zylonite is off duty

on account of illness. The number of books given out at the

public library last month was 2127, Miss Sarah A. Clark of Springfield is the guest of Mrs. C. T. Richmond of Crandall

Miss Marguerite Mattoon of Canaan, N.

Y., is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. L. W. Matteon of Summer street. Edward Hong and daughter Rena of

Pittsfield were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Buntin of Summer street Sunday Lawyer H. L. Harrington was in Williamstown on business Monday,

J. R. O'Brien who conducts a tailoring establishment on Park street is making arrangements to open a department for ladies' tailor-made suits.

All persons interested in Socials, Musicals, Dances, or other entertainments, public or private, are invited to consider the Grand Army Memorial Building. It has opera house with stage, waiting rooms, kitchen, dining rooms and elegant parler. Terms easy. Apply to A. W. Fulton, Secretary, 571 Eagle street,

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Attraction.

While on the Road.

Brockton, Mass., Jan. 4.—In an interview last night William A. Brady, manager of James J. Corbett, reviewed the situation regarding the proposed fight between Corbett and Fitzsimmons and said that he had no reason to doubt but that the fight would take place. He said that Fitzsimmons is doing a poor business and has been obliged to introduce boxing bouts with Siler as a part of his show. On the other hand Corbett is proving a great attraction on the The latter is taking good care of himself and would be in trim for a fight in a very short time.

Brady said that Carson City would undoubtedly be the place where the next fight would be held, and that no pictures would be taken of the contest. He saw no reason why Corbett should fight anyone besides Fitzsimmons.

Collegians to Play Hockey.

Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 4.—Interest in the Harvard ice hockey team has been much increased by the announcement that the athletic committee has granted permission for a series of games with Yale and Brown university teams. There will be two games with each team, the Yale games to be in Cambridge and New Haven, and those with Brown in Cambridge and Providence. The dates are not yet arranged. Twenty men are now trying for the Harvard team, which is already organ-

Wrestling Match Arranged.

Montpelier, Vt., Jan. 4.-A \$50 forfeit has been posted with The Evening Argus for a collar and elbow match between R. E. Hendison of Wells River, and Edward Deso of St. Albans for the wrestling championship of the state.

Eulogized Girard.

Philadelphia, Jan. 4.-Girard college celebrated its 50th ammiversary yesterday with an elaborate program of exercises. Addresses were made last evening by Mayor Warwick, Congressman Brosius and officials of the institution, and there was a number of vocal and instrumental selections by pupils. The event of the celebration was the cration. delivered by Speaker Reed, who said in part: "A hundred years ago this city was under the black horror of a plague. So terrible was the fear that fell upon the city that the tenderest of domestic ties seemed obliterated. Neither money nor affection could buy service. Girard was then in the prime of life, already rich and with a future as secure as ever falls to human lot. Of his own accord. as a volunteer, he took charge of the interior of the deadly hospital and for two long and weary months stood face to face with death.

"It happened to Stephen Girard to light up his life by a deed more noble than the dying courtesy of Sydney and braver than the charge of the 600, for he walked week by week, shoulder to shoulder with death, and was not afraid.

"How fit indeed it is that amidst these temples which are the tributes to his intellect should stand the tablet which is the tribute to his heart. Surely if the immortal dead are not above all joy and pride, he must feel that no mariner or merchant ever sent forth a venture upon unknown seas which came back with richer cargoes or in statelier ships."

Asked to Go to Rome.

New York, Jan. 4 .- The Journal and Advertiser today says: The Rev. Dr. George M. Searle, author, astronomer and one of the most learned theologians in the Paulist order, has been unofficially asked to accept the important office of director of the papal observatory at Rome, which is under the immediate direction of the vatican authorities, Dr. Searle is so wrapped up in his religious and literary duties here that he is unwilling to accept the post. One of Dr. Searle's brothers is an authority on astronomy and is attached to the Harvard

Dr. Searle himself, shortly after his graduation from Harvard, where he won high honors, became prominent in the astronomical field. He wrote several works which are now standard authorities. While engrossed in his scientific researches he met the late Father Hecker and other noted Paulists, and became interested in the great religious work they were doing. This led to his conversion to Catholicity and subsequently to his admission to the Paulists' order.

Barroom Row.

Sheboygan, Wis., Jan. 4.—As the result of a barroom row in which Bob Fitzsimmons, the pugilist; Martin Hughes, a well-known attorney; Charles Seaman a son of Judge William H. Seaman of the United States federal court, and Edward B. McDaniels, a comedian in Fitzsimmons' theatrical company participated, Attorney Hughes lies in a precarious condition, and there are some doubts as to his recovery. The trouble grew out of a criticism passed on Fitzsimmons' show by Hughes, which was resented by McDaniels, who, it is alleged, struck the attorney over the eye, rupturing a vein from which blood

flowed freely. Choice of Democrats.

Lawrence, Mass., Jan. 4.-At the adjourned session of the joint convention last night M. F. Collins (Dem.) was elected superintendent of streets after a lengthy and spirited contest. Mr. Collins was elected by the aid of the Republican members of the council. Superintendent Ryan, the present incumbent, was defeated by his own party.

Honored a Socialist. Haverhill, Mass., Jan. 4.-After 11 ballots for president, all of which resulted in no choice, the members of the common council held a conference and succeeded in agreeing upon James F. Carey. President Carey is the socialist member of the board, and is the first representative of the party to hold office

in this city. STIRE THE AR NEW DESIGNA.

New Bedford, Mass., Jan. -Notice of the cut-down was posted Friday. There was a meeting of the executive committee of the Spinners' union last evening at which the men who are out of employment were paid off. The situation was discussed in an informal way, and the general sentiment was that the cut-down would be resisted. Secretary Ross does not think there would be the slightest doubt but that the spin-



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The Classics and Sciences.

It is easy for those who have never had a true university training, who have had their ideas of gulture shaped by the commercial fashion of this particular country and the whirl of turnoil in which our people are carried along, to persuade themsolves that we are now quite beyond the need of Latin and Greek; that the places of the classic languages car, be and ought to be supplied by the more practical study of French and German. This demand for practical and useful things is just as erroneous as the one previously mention-It loses sight of the fundamental principle in effecation—viz, that the sole purpose of education is discipline in thinking and the cultivation of attachment to the noble and the ideal. That the classic languages afford a better discipline to the mind than any other is generally conceded by the best authorities and-proved by the

experience of every age.

In our own time we find the most eminent savans of Germany of this opinion, and in England Lord Kelvin, the ex-president of the Royal society, who for 50 years has engaged in physical research and is easily the greatest man of science since Laplace, comes out squarely against the making of Greek optional in the University of Cambridge, and the proposition is voted lown in the senate by an overwhelming majority. Is it likely that on this great question such mature and intelligent judgment can be wrong and that the inexperienced and the unclassic teacher right? Training in the classic languages affords the desired mental discipline and stimulates a careful and accurate use of language and of thought, which, as has been said before, is the essential condition of scientific progress.

I advocate therefore a return to the study of the classics as the best and safest basis for she advancement of science; besides, the ideals and the philosophy and the poetry of the ancients, far removed from the corrupting clamors of our time, exert the most noble influence upon the mind, and from that point of view alone Latin and Greek should be maintained as the basis of linguistic study.—Dr. T. J. J. Lee in Popular Astronomy.

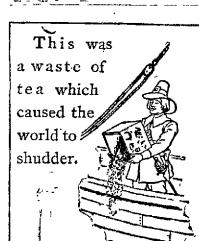
Tactics That Won.

"I'll never forget when we had old Bluntly at the head of our campaign com-' said the ex-congressman who recently retired from politics. "All we put him there for was as a figurehead. He was honest straightforward and universally trusted by the people. We simply wanted the benefit of his reputation, intending to make the fight without any of

"But the old chap fooled us. He took, the thing in deadly earnest and watched things with the care of a locomotive engineer hauling a fast passenger train. He believed in doing everything aboveboard and was a bonanza to reporters. When a man of some prominence on the other side pretended to be converted to ours and made a dramatic demonstration at a big mass meeting of his change of heart, Bluntly gave it out that the fellow had been hired to play the part and was a rank hypocrite. When we had made-terms with a lot of repeaters to come in and help us out, Bluntly exposed the scheme and callunder his own orders day by day and a way they could not ignore. When we bought up the leaders of a certain organization, promising so much for each vote delivered from that source, Bluntly called attention to the conspiracy and declared that he would prosecute bribers and bribed

if it were carried out." "Whew! Did the fellows on your ticket know they were running?"

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ENGLAND'S TRADITIONAL POLICY.

Facts Converning the Naval Strength of the Powers Now Assembling Their Warships Off the Coast of China-The Dofensive Strength of Our Navy.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—[Special.]—Now that the great powers of Europe are assembling their warships off the coast of China and the newspapers and public men the world over are studying the naval strength of the nations, facts concerning the naval effectiveness of the chief countries are particularly timely and interesting. Representative Wheeler of Alabama, who is a genrus in the statistical line, has compiled from official reports figures showing all the armored ships of foreign navies armed with great modern guns possessing a range of over nine miles. As might be expected, Great Britain is far in the lead. In fact, the power of the first class fighting machines now in commission in the British navy, with their heavy armor and terrible guns, is so great as almost to defy the understanding.

Foreign Fighting Ships. England has no fewer than 58 of these

great modern fighting ships now in commission, all of them, excepting 12, built within the last ten years. The thickness of the steel armor on the hulls of these ships ranges from 6 to 20 inches and the draft of the vessels is from 221/4 feet to 27 feet 9 inches. Most of them carry four of these high power guns which send their missiles offectively more than nine miles, the total number of such guns in the floot of 58 ships being 181. The caliber of the guns ranges from 9 1-5 inches to 181/2

France has 52 ships of this class, carrying 185 guns. On paper the first class fighting craft of the French navy appear to have greater power than those of Great Britain. But this is not true when number of ships, armor and effectiveness of guns are taken into consideration. England is also vastly superior in second class fighting ships, torpedo boats, etc.

Russia has 21 first class naval vessels, carrying 80 high power guns.

Italy has 16, carrying 52 guns. Austria has 8, carrying 33 guns. Germany has 35, carrying 125 guns.

Spain has 8, carrying 18 guns. It should be remembered that the foregoing figures are only as to the armored ships of the first class and as to the main batteries or highest powered guns. The secondary and rapid-fire batteries of these ships are not taken into account.

Our Defensive Ships.

Let us now compare the offensive power of the first class ships of foreign powers with the defensive vessels which the United States has available. Of armored ships carrying guns with a range of over nine

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miles we have: 12, as follows:

Puritan, 14 18.6 2 Terror, 11% 15.4 4 The recent turn of events in the far-east has justified the wisdom of Great Britain's naval policy. Hor many years the people and government of England have proceeded upon the theory that they must keep their navy equal in power to that of any Great Britain. Whenever the growth of other navies has threatened to strike down this superiority of England to any three possible rivals, parliament has voted large sums to the building of new ships. It is not many years—only three or four-since Great Britain's naval budget contained an appropriation of \$165,000,000 for new ships atone. Some of the vessels then pro-

vided for are now in commission. It is due to this policy of naval construction, to the superiority of her navy, that England feels the confidence and composure which mark her in this eastern crisis. She is still supreme upon the seas, and for the present at least has little to fear. But, as may be seen by close scrutiny of the figures which I have given above, England's rivels are making rapid progress. Britain is superior to any one power on the sea, but it is even now doubtful if she is superior to the three most formidable of her rivals together. If, for instance, Germany, France and Russia were to combine against England, they could command 108 armored vessels of the first-class as against England's 58, and they would have a total of 390 high power guns against England's 181. Whether or not the greater power of the British navy in second class ships, secondary batteries and tornedo boats would be sufficient to overbalance this advantage is a question which perhaps; even the naval experts would be unable to answer.

A Hostage of Peace.

The leading statesmen of England have long had a theory that some day or other they would become involved in a great war, in which two-or three-powers would be in alkiance against them, and in which England would stand great danger of defeat. As the nation with greatest and most widespread colonial possessions, the nation with most extensive shipping and commercial interests upon the ocean, British statesmen have figured that they must retain their supremacy upon the seas or go down from the first rank of nations to econd. Once permit their power to be broken, they have calculated, once destroy their prestige as mistress of the seas. and their vast empire would fall to pieces.

But now all the European nations are spreading their colonial systems. All are reaching out to the seas and to distant lands for commerce. Thus England is given a hostage of peace. Every extension of Russia's domains or Germany's or those of France makes for peace between the powers, because none can afford to risk their own possessions in the hazard of war. "We like to see our rivals extending their territory," said a British statesman to the writer in London last summer, "if they don't go too far.

WALTER WELLMAN.

Not to Be Resisted. "I have had some photographs taken,

Mr. Hankinson," said little Katic to the young man whom she was temporarily entertaining in the parlor. "Would you like to peruse them?"—Chicago Tribune.

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He Destroyed His Daughter's Doll to See How the Mechanism Worked.

THE CZĂR'S CURIOSITY.

The heavy burden of autocracy has not destroyed all the boyish instincts in Nicholas II's disposition, as the following anecdote, heard at a dinner party given in nonor of a gentleman of M. Faure's escort in his late journey, proves: The president, after having searched all the best Parisian shops to find some toys worthy of the two little grand duchesses' acceptance, and, having bought the everlasting golden rattle for Miss Tatiana, was in despair for something out of the common to give Miss Olga. He at last chose two wonderful dells, one got up as an elegant lady, the other as an overdressed little girl, and, after much difficulty a most complicated piece of machinery was inserted, thanks to which, when wound up, the lady and her daughter begin a ludierous bit of conversation, which is finished by the little girl crying because she is not allowed to ride a donkey on account of her gauze

The baby grand duchess was delighted, but not more so than her father, who, it appears, spent an hour on the floor with the child listening to the squeaky dialogue between the dolls. But the time came when the princess had to go to bed, which she did very reluctantly. As for the emperor, he remained an instant in the boudoir after her departure with the two clever artificial ladies who had taken his fancy, while the empress, M. Faure and some ladies and gentlemen of the court were talking in the next room. Sud denly a strange noise like that of an infernal machine was heard, followed by a loud ory of dismay, and everybody rushed to see what it was. There was the emperor safe and sound,

but with a dismal face, looking at the dolls, which he had partly undressed to find out the secret hidden in their bosoms. while the dells were chattering away as if they would never stop. The empress, unable to restrain her temper, snatched up the carpeted board on which were standing and shaking the two precious ladies, and after having crushed her husband with a withering eye she said to a gentle-man near her: "Please send this away. It is too bad indeed. The emperor spoils everything he touches." But Nicholas looked so penitent and the mishap was so funny that she could not help laughing.— Philadelphia Times.

When Was the Bible Completed?

Scholars differ in opinion as to the date at which the books new found in the New Testament were completed, but it is probable that this was accomplished not later than 130. Many centuries had passed in the formation of the Old Testament, but the New was all written within a single 100 years. The decision as to which books should be received into the new canon was not so quickly reached, for the earliest fathers of the church frequently quote from other gospels, such as one "according to the Egyptians," or "according to the Hebrews," and the Syrian church accepted some books not received by that of north Africa or the western church and vice versa. There is a legend that at the first ecumencial council of Nicæa, 325, copies of all the Christian literature then current were laid beneath the altar and the genuine books leaped out of the mass and ranged themselves on the altar. It probably contains a germ of the truth—that at this convocation it was decided that the books/now received were apostolic or written under apostolic direction, and the others were spurious. Be this as it may, the judgment of several generations of Christians certainly decided upon the value of these books as distinguished from many others written at about that time or later, and the council of Carthage (897) is said to have fixed the canon. The word "canon" was first used by Athanasius, in the fourth century, in the sense of "accepted" or "authorized," and Jerome and Augustime held the present New Testament as canonical.-Clifton Harby Levy in American Monthly Review of Reviews.

The Evil of Trade Unionism

We are not disputing here the right of workmen to combine for the advancement and protection of their craft. Ner is it to be denied that such right carries with it the right for each trade union to make such rules and regulations as it deems fit for its own members. Where the mischief begins is when trade unions seek to make rules which fetter other workmen and which tie the hands of employers. And where trade unionism begins to be abso-Intely destructive in its effects on industry is where, on the one hand, it endeavors to make a close corporation by limiting the number and restricting the employment of apprentices, and where, on the other hand, it restricts the labor of the most competent to the capacity of the most idle and least

efficient. All this trade unionism does. Overtime is objected to because, it is alleged, it diminishes the number that may be employed. But if overtime is not worked orders cannot be executed within the time in which they are required. Therefore, the orders will cease to come, and because Bill was not allowed to work extra hours Jack Tom and Jim will not be able to get work at all.—Benjamin Taylor in Cassier's Magazine.

Rothschild's Error. It may require as much imagination to

draw pleasure out of an unspent dollar as it does to get it from an unsmelled flower. or an unkissed love, or any of the unexisting realities that poets deal in. Many a laborious and ascetic financier must live in a world of imagination, a

commercial dream, as little tangible as that of the poet. "My food and lodging are all I get for my wealth," said the elder Rothschild. He was mistaken; he forgot his dream of wealth. He, too, was one of the poets of a financial age. Nor, lastly, can it be that the delight of giving oncself up to an impassioned thought, of which one is as sure as death and for which one is willing to die, is not still, as it always has been, the keenest pleasure of a human soul.—H. G. Chapman in

St. Paul and Minnespolis. Fifteen years ago Chicago was the great

central wheat market of the west. Even as late as four years ago its wheat receipts were over 50,000,000 bushels, but in 1896 they had declined to 19,101,152 bushels. while the wheat receipts of Minneapolis were 69,568,870 bushels and those of Duluth and Superior 56,607,897—the total of the two cities being 126, 176, 287 bushels, or six times and a half the Chicago receipts. These figures tell their own story of the shifting of the trade currents of the northwest to their natural channels and go far to explain the remarkable growth of St. Paul and Minneapolis from a population of 33,000 in 1870 to more than ten times that number in 1897.—"The New North west," by J. A. Wheelook, in Harper's

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HANNA'S WAR.

The Ohio legislature is just now furnishing the country with the most interesting political struggle of the year. It is there that Senator Mark Hanna, great political strategist and first friend of President McKinley, is fighting for his senatorial life and his political reputation. That the air is full of fun and feathers need not be stated. There was never before in the Buckeye state such a flerce and acrimonious political struggle. Every city and hamlet in the state is profoundly

On Monday came the first test of strength of the Hanna and anti-Hanna being able to organize both houses, having a majority of one in the senate and a majority of three in the lower house. The senate is a political tie-18 Republicans and 18 Democrats, but of the 18 Republicans one is anti-Hanna who refuses to vote either way. In the lower house the Republicans have a majority of 12, but of these nine are anti-Hanna and with the 47 Democrats make a majority of three against Mr. Hanna. The Hanna forces thus far could muster but 70 votes in both houses, while 75 will be necessary to elect on joint ballot.

Heading the opposition to Hanna is Governor Bushnell, Mayor McKisson of Cleveland and one Kurtz, ex-chairman of the Republican state committee, whom Hanna once "threw down." Bushnell is not a great man nor is Kurtz, but they can both fight all day and all night. They are willing to see any one made senator rather than see Hanna win, and will probably try to elect Bushnell, The Hanna Republicans now say they will support any sound-money Democrat before they

will see Bushnell elected, In the meantime excursions from all the districts of the nine anti-Hanna Republicans are being arranged to bring in irate constituents who shall remonstrate with their erring representatives and try to turn them to Hanna. The anti-Hanna forces are holding jollifications and guarding every member of their band from Hanna influences. Charges and countercharges of bribery fill the air. Hanna. Brice, Bushcell and even Kurtz and Mc-Lean have hopes of the senatorship. And the merry fight goes on. Knives are all out, and how hot it is in Columbus, Ohio

THE VANKEES OF THE EAST.

While all eyes are on the East, those eyes are particularly directed toward Japan. The Japanese minister to France announces that in three years Japan wil[[] be the second naval power in the world second only to Great Britain. This is certainly a grand boast. France, Germany, Russia and America will be surprised that Japan has got abead so fast. Recently a fleet of 20 Japanese warships appeared off Port Hamilton, where 17 British warships are anchored. It is understood that Japan and England will unite in opposing the permanent occupation of Port Arthur by the Russians.

The vanity of the Japanese, says a Western authority, has swollen wonderfully since their conflict with China. The cowardly Chinese are evidently no match for the brave and aggressive Japanese. But a defeat of Mongols is far from implying that the Japanese would have equal success if they came into conflict with the nations of Europe or with the United States. The Asiatic nations have always been inferior in military prowess to the nations of Europe, and the possession of more naval cruisers or more battleships by the Japanese does not imply that they will be the second naval power of the world. Japan is growing and expanding rapidly, but it will require ages to make Japan equal on the sea or the land to the great European powers. The people of Japan begin to feel the high taxes which their vast naval is formed with the first piece and other

armaments require. It is possible that before another year expires Japan and Russia may come into collision over the occupation of Northern China by the Russians, and then the world will be able to perceive whether the Japanese minister to France has not drawn a mighty long bow when stating that in three years Japan will be the secand naval power in the world.

Hanna has troubles of his own.

torship despite all his enemies.

What a hot time there will be in the old town of Columbus, O., for 10 days, with Mark Hanna sworn to win the sena-

Mr. Houghton's statement made at the city inauguration Monday concerning the Reed murder and the efforts made to discover the murderer or murderers, only goes to show how thoroughly Mr. Houghton did what he could in this terrible matter. He neglected nothing in his administration that was for the city's inter-

The most important declaration yet in the Okinese matter is that of England re-

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fusing to recognize any special rights granted at any Chinese port to any particular power. It is important because it controverts Germany's and Russia's designs, and because England has got the ships and guns to enforce her position. Russla and Germany combined could not defeat Great Britain on the water.

It is entirely proper that efforts to save the life of John O'Neil should be made up to the day assigned for his execution. A long as anyone doubts his guilt it is cred itable that efforts to save his life should be made. Gov. Wolcott is doing the right thing in keeping the case open to the last. that everyone who cares to be heard may have an opportunity to do so. The case was very thoroughly sifted in the court at the trial, but there may be furher evidence that is neportant, and if there is there is no doubt that the gov-ernor will hear it patiently and give it all the weier that it is entitled to.—Northampton G zette.

Speaker Reed, discussing in the Christ mas number of the Illustrated American the subject of "Newspaper Intrusion all parts of the world are received exclus-Upon Privacy," comes to the conclusion ively by THE TRANSCRIPT up to the hour that upon the whole it is a good thing. That is to say, it is good in spots and bad in spots, but the good overmatches the bad. This is the same conclusion that President Eliot of Harvard arrived at In a consideration of the same subject, the results of which he contributed to one of the reviews four or five years ago. Newspaper publicity, he declared, is a corrective for countless evils which in their sum are far more injurious than the worst evils that can possibly proceed from newspaper publicity itself. There is a tonic quality in free criticism which makes for correct manners and morals. and newspaper publicity subjects to the free criticism of the community at large many folbles and petty vices which could they be indulged in without comment might flourish unchecked.

SOWED BROADCAST.

Jim Monkeyed with Blasting Powder

and Was Scattered. I was driving along a lonely road in southwest Texas one day last month when I came upon a rather remarkable scene. A lot of people rigged out in their Sunday clothes were gathered in an open field and seemed to be holding some kind of ceremony, apparently of a religious nature. One man, undoubtedforces. The anti-Hanna forces won by ly a country preacher, judging by his garb and solemn appearance, stood upon a stump, and was just concluding an exhortation of some kind. Two or three women were crying, and the men looked serious and awkward.

At first I though I had come upon an open air meeting of some religious denomination, but I abandoned this opinion when I saw two men drive forth a couple of mule teams hitched to ponderous harrows and begin to harrow the soil over a large space of ground in front of the congregation. While they were doing this the crowd sang a bymn.

I then thought I had possibly come upon some sort of peculiar folk custom or ceremony of a religio-agricultural description, and when I drove slowly down the road and saw a man sitting on the fence, gazing at the scene, I stopped and asked him what it all meant.

pointed with it toward a pile of whitelooking rocks in the center of the field. "Right by them that rocks, pardner" he said, "is a new well. Ther Lord seest of us, pardner, in a well same as out of

"Certainly," I said.

swift; a shot from a '44' hurries along among them. The remaining like, but ther hand ov suddin death is swifter."

"Yes," I said. "Has some one been killed? I don't see any corpse. What are those people doing?"

"There are no corpsus, pardner. Yer may spy ther har at play, ther fawn upon the green, but the corpsus ov Jim Stollinger won't never more be seen. Gaze, pardner, upon ther solemn scene, and say, ef yer kin, whar is Jim."

"I don't know the gentleman," I said. "I don't know whether I see him or

"'Not' air correct. Ax ov ther wild waves or ther buzzard which soars aloft, and they'll likewise respond 'not.' Whereas Jim was, he is now not. Not any at all. Yer may have maybe heard ov blastin' powder, pardner, and ther powerful sudden way it has ov callin' sinners to repentance. That there well could a tale unfold that would make yer stand on yer head like er porkyerpine. Jim was diggin' ov that well and ther blast it went off too soon. Sabe? Yer see them mule harrers? Well, they're a harrerin' in the remains ov Jim. This here's Jim's funeral. Jim was sowed this mornin'."--Detroit Free Press.

OCCUPATIONS FOR CHILDREN. Useful Employment Keeps the Little

Ones Bright and Happy. Occupation means happiness to children; the little ones who have nothing to do are inevitably fretful and mischievous, so it is necessary for mothers to find suitable and varied employment for their young folks. A favorite amusement becomes monotonous if indulged ir too long, and the guiding spirit of the nursery and schoolroom must rack lier brains for a change of occupation when the children are confined to the house by bad weather.

Tinfoil, which comes around chocolate or packages or tobacco, is generally prized, though the little ones don't know what to do with it. If a tlny ball portions are added, snowball fashion, a very young child can make for itself a capital ball. Folding spills of paper for father to light his cigar with is another source of delight, and the boy or girl making them has the additional pleasure of knowing it is love's labor.

It is always advisable to inculcate the lessons of good nature and unselfishness when the children set to work. Let the elder ones paint pictures and fill scrap-books for the hospitals, while the "timies" can tear up paper as a stuffing for simple charity pillows. Wellto-do little people are so lovingly and thoughtfully treated nowadays that they are in danger of thinking that everything is theirs by right, and it is all important to teach them to share their playthings readily and cheerfully and he ready to give up to others less

fortunate than themselves. There is nothing that will cultivate this spirit of generosity more quickly than to follow this method of planning for the preparation of some gift for others less fortunate than themselves, and they will soon learn to consider this their most delightful pastime.-Philadelphia Record.

HAYTI'S GILBERTIAN ARMY.

Nearly as Many Officers as Privates in the Black Republic.

The army of "the free and independent republic of Hayti" is unique in that it provides chairs for the use of its sentries, lest they should get tired of standing, like our young lady shop assistants. But then one cannot expect a man, especially if he be a free and independent republican, to work desperatey hard for two shillings a week when on duty, and one shilling when off, particularly when he does not get it, and has to provide his own uniform of rags and tatters into the bargain. But, on the other hand, there is always a good prospect of promotion in an army which, in 1867, required 6,500 generals and staff officers and 7,000 regimental officers to command 6,000 privates, and which more recently contained 1,500 generals of division" in 16,000 men.

Indeed, did not President Salnave once convert a penniless day laborer into a general by a mere word? Enemies of the republic may argue that it is also true that the same general was shortly after caught in the act of stealing a uniform from a tailor's shop and forthwith paraded round the capital on a donkey by an indignant police!

There are no class prejudices in Hayti, and even the least can hope to become the greatest. For did not Capt. Soulouque, of the Life guards, buy a brandnew erown for £2,000 in 1852 and turn himself into his imperial majesty, Emperor Faustin I. and dazzle all Europe by the magnificence of his court, with its 59 dekes and marquises and earls innumerable? Even his very serene highness my lord the president Christopher, afterward his imperial majesty. Emperor Henry, with his 140 chamberlains and a court calendar 'vying with our own." was once a mere soldier.

True, not even every general can hope to become an emperor or even a mere president. Four republics and one kingdom at one and the same time in a country the size of Scotland are as many as even Hayti bas ever yet been able to find room for hitherto, though there may be better things in store for her in the future. In the meantime, as there are not republics and empires enough to go round, the 1,500 generals have to content themselves with £140 a year and gold lace ad libitum. Still, a Haytian egneral need not do so badly, even as things are, for who has a better right to act as paymaster to his soldiers than their genreal? And if soldiers do not come and ask for their pay who has a better right to it than that same general, while if they do have the impudence to ask for it instead of patiently waiting until it is given to them what officer (Haytian) worthy of the name would not fine them at least six weeks' pay for such an unheard-of breach of

There are not so many patriots in Havti but what it is sometimes a little difficult to keep a battalion up to its full strength, which is, perhaps, the reason why one recently paraded only numbered ten officers, 13 men and six drummers. But an enterprising colonel will find an easy way out of that difficulty by periodically sending his men, armed with clubs, into the streets to seize "volunteers." No one is ever compelled to do anything in the free and independent republic of Hayti.

So when parliament meets the significance of the gaps in rows of members is readily understood, and Mr. Black Rod sent off to the various barracks to in pect the bleeding and fattered re-"A jack rabbit, pardner, is awful cruits and liberate the M. P.'s volunteers may choose between serving their country for their love of it and paying the colonel so much a week to be exempt. As the colorel's pay is £40 a year, he thinks that the less love of their country there is among his volunteers the better, and perhaps this is the reason why the party "in" and the party "out" are importing alien soldiers to decide which shall be "in" and which "out."-London

BLUNDERS ABOUT AMERICA. Paris Papers Show Marked Ignorance

of United States Affairs. Complaint is made continually that the men responsible for the opinions of newspapers are frequently lamentably ignorant of the subjects on which they write, and especially so when they write on subjects pertaining to foreign countries. France and the United States are supposed to be the chief offenders in this respect. Thus the Petit Parisien, Paris, a paper with over 80,000 circulation, and supposed to be the best informed in France (of all the dailies) with regard to things alien, makes some amusing blunders about the American continent. We quote a few instances:

"Canada is a great country. She may well be proud of having given

birth to George Washington." "Among the celebrities present at the review of Russian troops was the brilliant commander-in-chief of the Amer-

lean army, Gen. Nelson." "It should, of course, be remembered, that the masses of the people are only half civilized in America. Only a fraction of the people can read or write. The dirty power of money making alone

"Klondike is in the little country called Alaska, which belongs partly to the United States, partly to Canada. There will be complications, as Russia has always claimed jurisdiction in those

"Venezuela, the country assisted by the American jingoes, is so small that one can hardly find it on the map." "In Eureka Springs, Ark., on a beau-tiful bay of the Pacific coast * * * "

-Literary Digest. Couldn't Understand It. Mr. Doolan-Here's an article sez folks is more ugly an' homicidal in hot

weather than in cold. Mrs. Doolan-Faith, an' Oi don't sec how that kin be--fer ivery hat spell the papers say there's lots av humility in the air.—Judge.

Cold Lemon Pudding. Squeeze the juice of two oranges and wo lemons and add one-half pint of cold water sweetened with two ounces of sugar; take four sponge cakes and soak them in this liquor; when moist all through, stick with blanched almonds, and cut in quarters, then over with thick custard and serve.-Boston Globe.

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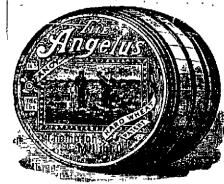
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A new 10 room house, 8 minutes from postoffice, well built, in good repair, modern improvements, Simmons boiler. Will sell for \$4,000.

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A large double tenement house in | rty in the fifth ward, large house, | one barn, \$1800.

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A small house on the line of the electric road, South, about one-half

A farm of about 100 acres on the "Notch Road," one-half timber, bal-A choice piece of residence prop- ance meadow and pasture. No house,

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People who are contemplating the purchase of a lot at WEST END PARK should bear in mind that an early selection may have its advantages in the way of price, location &c. It is true there are 100 lots on this tract and it is also true that some of the choicest have already been sold. As has been stated heretofore, the property is piped for water, gas and sewer. Marion Avenue, the main thoroughfare through the property is fifty feet wide, with sidewalks 12 feet in width. No other residence street in the city can boast of so fine a street.

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somebody will be sure to want this spring, but it will be a great deal safer to buy it now if you are looking for that sort of a purchase. It is 65 feet front by 140 feet deep, and can be bought for \$2500.

There are still remaining on Richmond Hill, some very desirable lots which will le sold as heretofore at low prices and on easy terms. For nearby lots these are cheaper than anything in the city, and will prove a good investment for the modest home-builder, \$300, 400 and 500.

on the line of the electric road, west, are for many reasons considered very | Plans and prices on application. choice. They are on high ground, I have one nice near-by lot that | facing south, affording one of the finest views in this valley, and are large, being 75x200. There are five lots remaining on the north side of the street, five having already been

> There are twenty lots on what is known as the Harlow Green property on West Main street, opposite the Fair Grounds. \$350 buys a good

On the new State Road, opposite the Brayton school, there are some very desirable low price lots, as and fidelity bonds.

The lots on the Sherman property, well as on West Main street, adjoining Brown & O'Connor's store.

> This is a good column for real estate owners to advertise in if they have property for sale. Let me know your wants and I will advertise them.

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A Californian has invented a trunk which can be used as a table, one of the trays having hinged sides which can be opened outward and the tray inverted and set on top of the trunk.

In a recently patented safety device for elevators two rows of pins are set in the guideways of the shaft with hooks mounted on the elevator to catch In them as soon as the cable which supports the elevator breaks and allows the springs to operate.

A western man has patented a grain elevator in which compressed air is used to carry the grain, a receiving vessel being mounted at the end of a suction-pipe, which draws the grain into a blast-pipe and forces it with the air to the top of the elevator.

Hand straps for street cars are to be mounted at the end of an arm which is attached to the rod now in use to swing the strap down into position for a short person to use, the arm lying in a horizontal position when not in use to keep the strap up out of the way.

A German has patented a bed which has the head portion of the bottom hinged near the center and supported below by a curved rack, which is raised and lowered by ropes lying within reach of the user's hands to assist him in rising to a sitting posture in the bed.

Steam is used to sterilize clothing in a new device, which has a chamber for the material to be treated, with steam Inlet pipes and a removable cover, the goods being afterward dried by turning the steam into the double compartment surrounding the sterilizing cham-

A new street-sweeping machine has an endless chain of brushes geared to the rear wheels of a wagon, mounted within a casing having its lower end resting on the pavement with the upper end lapping over the rear of a wagon box to discharge the dirt as the brushes carry it up the incline from the

FOREIGN CHAT,

/ Acetylene can be neither manufactured nor sold in Great Britain now! save by express permission of the home secretary, the prohibition being made in a recent order in council.

Italy is able to turn out fast torpedo boat destroyers as well as England. The destroyer Pluto, recently built at Sestri Ponente, near Genoa, for the Spanish government, made 351/4 knots under forced draught on her trial over the measured mile.

Timely use of the referendum has preserved grand opera to Marseilles. The town council having voted down the annual subvention to the theater, the mayor demanded a popular vote on the question, and the people of Marseilles voted to continue the subven-

An "act for the relief of indigent peers," passed by Mr. Gladstone's government, will be applied to aid the earl of Milltown, who, after occupying small places under the government, is in great distress in India. Two of his supper in the church parlor next Friday daughters are married to employes on evening. The Samford ladies hope to the Indian railroad.

Empress Elizabeth of Austria has given up her villa Achilleion, on the island of Corfu, and has had all its contents, including the "Dying Achilles," transferred to her palace in Vienna. The bad sanitary condition of the town where the villa is situated, and the eastern complications, are the reasons ascribed to her for making the change.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

American knives, when intended for sale in India, are usually made with frings in the handles. The natives carry them tied to their girdles.

The salary of Postmaster E T. Page, of Redwater, Tex., does not keep pace with the increase of his family. two occasions his wife presented him (with twins, and once with quadruplets.

The shah of Persia's horses are made unusually conspicuous by having their rents concerning its enfeebled condition, tails dyed crimson at the tips, for a It was the coldest morning by several delength of six inches. Only he and his grees that the winter has produced so tar, sons are permitted to thus ornament and little happiness resulted from out-of-

Stiles McMellan, of St. Albans, Vt., 1 is 101 years old, and has never been | Cal., who is visiting his brother, Rev. Dr. sick a day in his life. He began to 'G. W. Brown, presched at the Methodist / smoke in his forty-first year, and has | church Monday evening at the opening of continued the habit ever since. He is the week of prayer services, delivering (,cow cutting his third set of teeth.

The postal savings bank of Great Brit- | subject of "Prayer." A short sermon will min had on deposit, at the close of last vear, £108,049,642. The depositors numbered 6,862,035, and over one-half of cital will be put on sale Friday, the 7th. them were maids, married women, widat 9 o'clock at Hastings'. The admission ows and children.

The speaker of the house of commons at an organ recital position counts for recently declined to receive a typewritlittle. No more seats will be sold, howten communication, on the ground that | ever, than there are seats, so that all will At was an infringement of the rules, as be sure of a good sitting. all communications to parliament must be pen-written or lithographed.

IRONICAL IF'S.

If mistakes were crimes most men would be in jail. If all flesh is grass then babies must

be new moan hay. If might doesn't always make right 'made at the next meeting, Wednesday, it seldom gets left.

other Wednesday evening after that. If you live to a green old age beware of the bunko man.

If the farmer is not sharp as a raiser he can never succeed.

If all the world's a stage the real estate dealer must be the property man.

If you have a bad memory you can improve it by doing things that you can't Torget. If a man is smart he can always catch on and if he is wise he will always know

when to let go.-Chicago Daily News. Adams National Bank of North

Adams. The annual meeting of the stockholders

of the Adams National bank will be held at their banking house in North Adams. Tuesday, the 11th day of January,

next, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the following

purposes, to-wit: First, to choose directors for the ensu Second, to transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting E. S. WILKINSON, Cashier. North Adams, Mass., Dec. 10, 1897.

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LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

-Oneco lodge, I. O. O. F., will work the

The installation of officers in Hoosac

-Tre Thimble club will meet with Mrs

-The young men's council of the Y. M.

Becket of Marion avenue Thursday after-

C. A. will meet this evening at 7.30

nesday evening at the house of F. C. Cur-

was that of David and Albert Bar for

meeting tomorrow (Wednesday) after-

--The Ladies' Aid society of the M. E.

-A meeting of the North Berkshire

Ministerial association will be held in the

Baptist church at Adams next Monday.

Rev. O. f. Darling, pastor of the Univer-

salist church in that town, will read a

-A meeting of the Drury students will

tain and a manager for the school base-

ball team of next season. The prospects

-D s rict Deputy L. J. Chi'son of Or-

ange will install the officers of Hoosac

lodge, No. 20, N. E. O. P., this evening in

the ledge's room in the Heosac Savings

-The thermometer was badly affected

this morning, and many reports were cur-

-Rev. S. W. Brown of Los Angeles,

an able and interesting sermon on the

-Tickets for the Guilmant organ re-

will be 50 cents, with no reserved seats, as

-There was a large gathering of girls

in the parlors of the Congregational

church Monday evening to form another

circle of King's Daughters. Mrs. Andrew

Hunter presided, and 43 joined the circle'

The object will be to do charitable work

in the city and to help the work of the

church. Complete organization will be

the 12th, and the circle will meet every

-The Knights of Pythias and Odd Fel-

lows' basket ball teams practiced last

evening. They are planning to go to

Hoosick Falls some evening this week for

practice with the team there. The Odd

Fellows have chosen as their uniforms

blue sweaters and stockings with drab

pants. The Knights of Pythias have

chosen maroon sweaters and stockings

and drab pants. The Wheelmen and Y.

M. C. A. teams will practice this evening.

There was a good attendance last evening of the Y. M. C. A. men, to talk over

the prospects of a team, and organization

Law Firm Dissolved.

The law firm of Niles and Niles has

been dissolved by mutual agreement.

Clarence P. Niles, who recently came to

this city from Bennington, Vt., will have

his office at Rooms 1 and 13, Hoosac Sav-

ings Bank olock, and B. W. Niles will

occupy the offices formerly occupied by

will be made tonight.

be preached every evening.

bank block. Light refreshments will

be served by Caterer Peter Sorrell,

for a team are good, and the candidates

w.ll go into training early.

door extraise.

church of Stamford will give an oyster

disturbance. They were fined \$5 each.

C. A. will meet this evening.

month.

tis, 19 Quincy street.

noon at 3 o'clock.

paper.

Leave Post Office, North Adams 1.30 p. m.

Leave Post Office, Readsboro, 8 a. m

Trains leave North Adams going East—81.37, 13.18, 7.23, 9.58, a. m., 1.12 40, 4.31, 5.55, c2.60 b. m. Colog West-7.50, 10.08, a. m., 12.20, 1.24, 5.00, 18.05, 11.46, c2.39, c7.40 p. m

Train Arrive From East-10.08, a. m, 12.10, 1.24, 1.00, 18.05, 11.40, c2.39 p. m.

From West-11.37, 15.18 7.23, 9.53 a.m, 112.40 c12.55, 4.31, C2.00, 5.65, 7.00 p. m

The following young men, who have been spending the holiday vacation at

Stafford Springs, Coun.

their homes, returned to Holy Cross college today: Frank Reagan, F. J. O'Hara, Charles Crowley, Edward Crowley. Charles Curran, Matthew Norton. John Whalen, Edward Farrell, Michael Flaherty, Frank Watt and Michael

PERSONAL PARÁGRAPHS.

A. Augustus Cully returned today to Blair academy, tBlairtown, N. J.

John Lestage left today for Brown university, Providence, R. I. Mrs. James Udell of Houghton street,

who has been in Boston for a week, has returned. Mrs. Jordon of New York and Mrs.

Prescott Knight of Providence, who have been visiting Mrs. E. C. Richardson, left this morning.

Miss Hyde of Bennington, who has been visiting Miss Minnie McDenald of Eagle

prevented from producing Mrs. Luet-gert by a lack of funds, and Inspector street, returned to her home Monday. Miss Marion Fulton of Bracewell averejoinder. He also hopes to thus put a nue, who has been visiting in New York quietus on the reports from varicus city and Melrose, N. J., has returned to parts of the country that Mrs. Luetgert has been discovered.

George McDonald and John Hauley, who passed New Years in New York, returned to the city Monday.
D. A. Anderson went to Boston on busi-

ness Tuesday. W. H. Pritchard left this morning for a business trip to Boston.

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Jos. Haddod is exhibiting a rare collection of Turkish rugs and fancy oriental works from the East at 20 Eagle street. Please call and examine stock as he only will remain a few days.

*Calnan's "Hudson Club" eigar, 5c.

GOSSIP OF THE STAGE.

\$1 prices paid elsewhere for poorer "The Little Minister" has beaten the "Trilby" records on the London stage. Again has Mary Anderson been approached by managers who want her to appear on the stage in a singing part at \$1,000 a week, but she has refused -The educational classes of the Y. M. definitely.

Adele Ritchie is having rather an unpleasant time in London, where she third degree on two candidates this evencannot find a suitable engagement owing to her being one of the cast in the ill-fated production of "The Wizard of lodge, N. E. O. P., will be held this eventhe Nile.'

Janauschek has permanently retired from the stage and not even "The Great Diamond Robbery" in which she appeared in Chicago a year or so ago will tempt her from her seclusion.

Julia Marlowe is considering an appearance as Nero in a new play based -Drs. Simpson and Riley will be the upon the early days of the emperor. physicians attending at the hospital this Charles B. Dillingham, Miss Marlowe's new manager, brought the play from -The Audubon society will meet Wed-Europe, and Sarah Bernhardt is said to hold its French rights.

Eleanore Duse has been engaged to -- The only case in court this morning play at the Neuses theater, Berlin, again in the spring. She is already studying the two new parts in which -The Woman's Missionary society of she is to appear-namely, that of Antigthe Baptist church will hold its regular one in Sophocles' tragedy of the same name and that of Haralet.

CHARACTER IN THE WALK.

Quick steps denote agitation; slow steps, either long or short, suggest a gentle or contemplative turn of mind. Turned-in toes generally characterize the absent-minded and a stoop the studious and deeply reflective, whose

thoughts are anywhere rather than with themselves. Obstinacy is indicated by the slow. heavy and flat-footed style of walking, while miserliness may be suspected from short, nervous and anxious footbe held Friday afternoon to elect a cap-

Sly, cunning people walk with a noiseless, even and stealthy tread, resembling that of a cat. A proud person generally takes even steps, holds

the figure upright and the head a little back and turns the toes well out. A gay and volatile person trips lightly and easily, in sympathy with his or her nature. Character is shown by all sorts of oddities in gait, but for grace and elegance no civilian's walk will bear comparison with that of the man who has received military train-

Might Cover this page with argument, we might rake out all the symptoms, actual and imaginary, and write and publish an article here that, com-prising many thousand words, would not mean much after all, but we have an argument that is short

and right to the point, and that means a great deal for you and for

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I hereby give notice that I am prepared to furnish to parents, householders, physicians and midwives applying therefor, blanks for returns of births as required by law.

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000 in approved real estate to any per-

son producing Mrs. Luetgert, dead or

alive. Attorney Harmon of the de-

fense has complained that he is only

In the trial yesterday Lawyer Hac-

mon entered a motion that the case be

ended and the jury discharges on the

ground that the brief session of court

on New Year's day was illegal. The

motion was at once overruled by Judge

Gary. No evidence was taken at Sat-

NEWS IN BRIEF.

It is denied that stewards on board

the St. Louis had burned the American

flag on that ship's last trip from South-

and liabilities of \$2,491,600. In 1896 there

James Dennison, 60 years old, a tailor,

was struck by a train at the West New

ton, Mass., station last night and had

An unknown man was killed on the

Fitchburg railroad last night near Walt-

ham, Mass. He was five feet, ten inches

The market for tableware is in such

a condition that the glass factories will

have to be kept running steadily for

and the prospects are that the nailset

Marcella Sembrich returns to New

York next esason for a concert tour of

50 performances under the management

of George Stewart of Boston. She is

to receive \$1500 for every performance, the highest sum ever paid to any singer

The wages of the workmen in the new

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Mortgagee's Sale.

in a certain mortgage deed given by Frederick A. Suttor to myself Herb rt W. Cierk, dated January 8 A. D., 1897, and

regarded in the Northern Berkshire Reg-istry of Deeds, at Adams, Mass., in book

228 nage 347, will be sold as nubble auction, at the office of Mark F. Couch, in the North Adams Savings, Pank building, situate on the southerly side of Main

street, in North Adams, Berkshire county. Massachusetts, on Monday the 31st day of

Jaruary A. D., 1898, at 10 o'clock in the forecon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely:

—a certain piece or parcel of land situate on the southerly side of Briggs street.

in said North Adams, and bounded and described as follows, to wit:—

Commencing at a stake and stones, eight rods easterly from the easterly side

of North Eagle street, and thence run-ning southerly on the easterly line of lands of Abbott and Hendrick Gates,

eight rocs, thence running easterly four

rode, in a line I. allel with said Briggs

street, and thence running northerly on

land formerly of Ross, eight rods, to the

southerly side of Briggs street, and thence westerly on the southerly side of

Briggs street, to the place of beginning, and being the same premises described in the deed of Henry Whitney to Frederick R. Sutton, dated July 11, 1894, and recorded in Northern Berkshire Registry of Deeds, at Adams, Mass., in book 216 page

403, to which deed and record reference is

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urday's session, the court having been T. MONTEATH. adjourned as soon as the defense objected to the trial proceeding on that 50 Holden Street.

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Roston Judge Declares There is

Boston, Jan. 3.-Judge Burke of the municipal court, today, refused to entertain a complaint introduced, it is thought, to make a test case as to the legality of the use of

Refusal

The complaint charged a wellknown firm of this city with disposing of personal property, of the value of \$47, in violation of Chapter 277 of the acts of 1834.

sides and declined to issue warrants on the complaint, on the ground that there was nothing in the transaction which was in violation of Chapter 277 of the Acts of 1884.

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trading stamps.

Judge Burke, atter hearing the evidence, held a brief whispered conversation with counsel for both

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Local News!

SAVOY.

Mrs. W. Coon returned home Friday after a few weeks' absence, bringing a new addition to their family in the way of

a two weeks' old daughter. D. A. Haskins has just returned from a short hunting trip to Worthington. Miss Mary McCormick of Windsor is

guest of Forest Lake. Theo. Tower of Worthington recently spent a night at Forest Lake and enjoyed a day's hunt. The hunting party consisted of five men and six dogs, the result of which was three rabbits and a few

Frank Bliss visited in Easthampton last week. Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Greenslit of Florida

visited in this town Monday. G. J. Tower of Buckland visited his sister, Mrs. A. W. Burnett, recently.

Miss Jennie Sweet of Pittsfield finished her school at the Brier on Friday. On Thursday evening there were pleasant exercises at the school house. After the exercises Mrs. Gokay gave a supper in honor of Miss Sweet. Those present were Mrs. Bidwell Babbitt of Adams, a guest at Gokay cottage, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Mc-Cullock, Messrs. Willie Young, Will'e Mc-Cullock, Elmer McCullock, and Miss Jennie Sweet, Charlie Grover and Lela Blanchard.

CHARLEMONT.

The 27th annual meeting of the Deer. field Valley Agricultural society was held in Goodnow hall, Charlemont, Monday, the 3d, and chose the following officers for 1898: President, Charles E. Ward of Buckland; vice presidents, W. O. Long of Shelburne, Herbert Clark of Ashfield, W. | paddles and had the forethought to smite E. Kinsman of Heath, W. S. Warfield of Hawley; secretary, S. W. Hawkes of Charlemont; treasurer, E. F. Haskins of is no doubt about it. Baldy could think, Charlement; auditors, A. L. Tyler, A. L. Avery, W. E. Niles of Charlemont; delegate to the state board of agriculture, F. H. Smith of Askfield. It was voted that the second day of the fair be benefit day and every one pay that goes on to the grounds the last day. The meeting was very harmonious and all seemed pleased that the debt was being reduced every vear.

Only one acre of tobacco was raised in town last year that was not of the best. The barber shop is closed Tuesday and Thursday evenings each week.

The dancing school Wednesday evening every week promises to be a success. Those that at end are much pleased with the teacher.

A neighborhood international convention will be held in the Congregational church, Charlemont, next Friday at 10 o'clock. The churches of Heath, Hawley, Buckland, Rowe, Shelburne Falls and Shelburne are expected to participate, and the public will be welcome. Rev. Lyman Whiting of East Charlemont will open the discussion on "Revivals of Religion.

Fifteen inches of snow fell in the valley last Friday and lumbermen were all happy New Year's day. Last year the first snow fell January 20.

Edward Rice and Fred Thatcher are

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P. Lawrence, W. A. Gallup, W. G. Cady, G. W.

North Adams.

Rev. C. J. Harding of Rowe began hi³
work as pastor of the Baptist church here last Sunday. He preaches at Rowe
In the forencon and here Sundays at 2 work as pastor of the Baptist church | the dignity of manhood, so to speak. In here last Sunday. He preaches at Rowe | celebration of his twenty-first year there o'clock. Sunday school at 1 o'clock.

Charles Gerry is carrying on the plumbing business in Greenfield.

WOODFORD.

Albert Myers has moved into the George Townsent house. Edgar Mooney and wife of White Creek. N. Y., have visited in town.

Fred Stone recently sustained quite a cut on the head with a g a ice of an axe. C. W. Cutler an son Jame visited in Wilmington two days last week.

Mrs. F. A. Gleason and daughters, Florence. Mildred and Geneva, have visited in Wilmington several days. Clarence Larabee was driver.

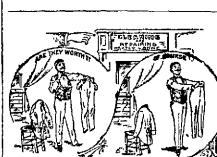
Miss Lizzie Pellerin of Bennington has visited her sister, Mrs. Charles I. Wood. Dexter Gleason spent Sunday at North

Tuesday Superintendent S. M. Bowles and Director John Rooney visited the school in Judge Woodward's district. The school closed that day. On account of sickness there have have been three teachers there this term,-Misses Hyde, Potter and Mosher. The pupils show good advancement.

Miss Mabel Graves and Exhor Marcle were recently married by a Bennington before he cut his teeth, but I have heard priest. The couple are living in Somer-

Lydia Corbett, an aged lady, recently died at her home in East Canaan, Conn. Her daughter, Caroline Hotchkiss, was with her. Mrs. Hotchkiss' husband was a commissary sargent in the army and died there. Joseph Ray Corbett, the husband of the deceased, lived in Woodford with his family for many years and left here about 40 years ago. The children were Sarah, Caroline, Lewis and Julius, some of whom are living. Mr. Corbett was one of the first burners of charcoal in Woodford, and many a pit bottom still bears his name. The "Corbett hill" and pasture on a plateau of the mountain near Mt. Pleasant has held the name for nearly a century.

E. C. Miner expects his father and sister here from Brattleboro this week.



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A dancing, a glancing

With sweet delay.

In storms of fragrance round you going Murmur of bees in blossom swinging, And children's cries more sweet than singing, The same old way.

THE SAME OLD WAY.

The sunbeams out of heaven lancing.

The tide beneath green shadow trancing

A-flushing, a-gushing.
The roses on their rod stoms blushing Before they close, with soft airs hushing The dving day.

And all the woody ways discover Down glummering depths a lass and lover

-Harper's Bazar. HE KNEW IT ALL.

It was said of Dr. Whewell by the wiser and wittler Sidney Smith that he made

a "foible of omniscience." Just so of my talented young friend, Baldwin Beard of Chestnut Hill, known among us at the club as "Baldy." I have heard that Ralph Waldo Emerson, at the age of 2, was severely criticised for his deficiencies in reading and, if I remember aright, in Latin grammar.

ever have been imposed upon any of Baldy's relatives. It is authentic that at 2 he was reading the New Testament and expressing certain doubts. At 3 he know the Declaration of Independence by heart and recited it to much parental applause. At 4 he was erudite and made his father feel tired. He knew things so much by heart that he could give no thought to his mind. I think his afflicted father was wrong, however, in saying that he had no mind for thought. He had-lots. For instance, he was always thoughful of himself, as on the occasion when the boat capsized and he got ashere by sid of the two his younger brother with one of them. Otherwise, you see, he would have been dragged and drowned to his death. There and think for himself. That trifling event occurred when he was 8. He was then deep in the higher calculus and was pestering his father to buy him a telescope. Mr. Beard, Sr., had been aging rapidly. At 13 Baldy superseded his parents at table. They were afraid to make any statements, even concerning the weather, lest he might openly disclose their ignorance before the other children. Of course "the other children" amounted to nothing.

Baldy owned the house.

At 16, unsolicited and of his own good will, he favored the W. C. T. A. with a carefully prepared address on the "Sum and Total of Human Knowledge." Big as the subject was he handled it like a

man. It was then made plain that he knew it

That same year Baldy went to college, and he went through the course with flying colors and was graduated with honors and great applause. Moreover, he was a member of more of the fraternities and wasted no time in the clubs.

After graduation he came back to Philadeluhia. He was now grown old enough to know that he knew it all, and his timid parents realized the fact, and his admiring friends agreed with them. All save one-Dick Casper.

That is, there was perhaps yet another who-but we'll see.

Dick Casper was not so flagrant a character as Baldy. He had begun life as a regular infant, and by way of the public schools had attained a certain prominence attending the Bliss business college at in the law—not knowing it all, but a little

So we have Baldy at length advanced to was a garden party, whereat Mrs. Beard looked proud and Mr. Beard looked like a repentent criminal confronted with irrefutable evidence of his guilt.

Casper was there. There also was Daisy Barrow, in a plain dress of something white with vellow ribbons, and she quite obliterated the other girls and made the pretty landscape look tame. Of course Baldy, being omniscient, knew a good thing when he saw it. So Miss Barrow was his "foible" for that day. Not for all the day, however. The range of Casper's knowledge was not so broad as a barn door or so deep as a well.

He was only a big, healthy and very handsome chap who went in for life and got a great deal of it, skimming the surface, the cream, as it were, and not caring much for the thin stuff beneath.

He was not an invited guest at that garden party. He simply walked in and made himself at home. After he had gazed about a bit he asked of a sturdy but sullen looking youth who was leaning against a tree, and who was none other than the younger brother who had witnessed Baldy's clover escape from drowning:

Who is that fellow walking with Miss Barrow, do you know?" The younger brother stared a moment, then said, with considerable bitterness: 'Why, he is the scientific ass whose birth we are celebrating. He has come of age today, formally speaking. As a matter of fact, he was never immature. He was a distinguished scholar before he were pants.

I forget how many languages he spoke one of his brothers say that he wished he had been the teeth at the time. I infer that something else might have been cut." "So that is Mr. Baldwin Beard?" "Yes, but we who don't love him call him Baldy for short. All I've get to say is, that if you haven't met him you're a

privileged character. I envy and admire "You seem to know Beard well." "Ever since he was a ripe savant at the age of 4 and I idiot enough to enter the same family. I'm his martyred brother.

Good afternoon." Shortly afterward Dick, when Daisy for a moment was alone, went to her, and they talked and laughed together, and the younger brother thought it rather cool of him. Then the hero of the day returned, and when made acquainted with Dick he unbent his back just as an ordinary man might and was highly condescending. Dick seemed grateful. The talk ran this

way: "You have a very pretty place here," "Yes, yes. It's fair. I propose asking father to make certain necessary additions at once. I need a laboratory."

'What are you going to do with it?" Baldy looked at him keenly, then at

Daisy. Both faces were calm. "I propose experimenting, chiefly in chemistry. But I have certain original ideas which I wish to test with the microscope. I am very fond of diamons.

Dick leaned against the tree. "Never I am very ford of diatoms."

ate one," said he. "How are they usually Buldy stared into Dick's impenetrable eyes. "A diatom," said he impressively, "is supposed to be"— "Let's talk about diamonds," said Miss

Barrow, "they're much more interesting, don't you think?" "I presume they are more expensive," Dick replied, "unless I am mistaken in

supposing that diatoms are eaten and not Baldy did not smile. He always took life seriously, as do all men who appraise themselves highly and are cocksure of a

"A diatom"- he began, clearing his throat. "Oh, Mr. Beard!" interrupted Miss

Barrow, "do be good enough to tell me the name of that bird." It was drumming on the tree against which Dick was leaning. He glanced at it and said:

"That's a woodpecker." Baldy eyed him compassionately. "That, Miss Barrow," said he, "is a bird which belongs to the family parid, to the subfamily sattime and the genus sitta. It is the Sitta carolinensis, what is vulgarly known as the white breasted nuthatch, though I am given to understand that ignorant people designate it as the sapsucker or hairy woodpecker.' A grave error, because the nuthatch does not feed on sap."

Dick had been staring at the bird. "It's a woodpecker all the same," said No such painful duty, I am sure, could he. "L'll bet \$10 on it."

His remark was ignored. "How nice it must be," said Miss Barrow, with a sigh, "to know overything. How in the world did you do it, Mr. Beard? You're so very young."
, "I realized at an early age," said Baldy

solemnly, "the truth of the remark made by Diogenes Lacrtius. Perhaps you may recall it? There is one only good-namely, knowledge-and one only evil-namely, ignorance.'" Here she looked at Dick, who said snavely:

"What's his name must have been a tremendous ass. 'Ignorance' of what? No one man can know it all. What's the use trying?

Baldy gave Dick a very superior stare. Then he turned to Daisy and said, "Will you take a turn with me about the grounds?" and "You'll excuse us, won't you?" to Dick. "With great pleasure," said Dick.

The two walked away, and Baldy at once began, "He's actually the rudest and most ignorant man holding apparent pretensions to gentility that I"-"Ch, but he is a gentleman," cried Miss Barrow in the convinced tone of one who

actually knew. "Really?" And Baldy halted and looked with surprise into Miss Barrow's blushing

"I didn't know you were so well acquainted with him," said he. "I beg his and your pardon. You see, I spoke from a first unfortunate impression. His mistake about that bird'-'There was no mistake. It was a wood-

Baldy gasped. Then after a brief but deep silence he said: "Miss Barrow, I feel it my duty to tell you that you are mistaken. That was not a"-

"It was a woodpecker," said she firmly. Baldy got gray in his skin. "Evidently," said he, "you know the man better than I thought you did. He

has won your confidence"-"Oh, no, not that!" said Miss Barrow "Let me tell you now that I am quite familiar with his type. He is"—
"He is my— Dick," she called, "come

Then, when he came, "Dick, tell Mr. Beard what you are to me." "Everything, I hope," said Dick simply. "We'll see about that," she said. "But

Dick, you aren's evil enough to put on the gloves: "Yes, I a.a.. ⁴

"And play football?" "And row? You weren't stroke, as I

"Dick, you don't dare to tell me that you own a yacht, and can walk 41/2 miles an hour, and jump 21 feet, and leap 51/2 inches, and have biceps 15 inches and triceps"-

"Yes, yes!" cried Dick. "You make me tired, Daisy." Then young Mr. Reard knew it all. He had really come to age, and he walked away.

Daisy gripped Dick's hand. "He's in a bad way," said she. "He's afflicted with wisdom beyond his years. How are you, "I am afflicted with you," said he.—Melville Philips in Philadelphia Press.

He Wears Only One Shoe. The one legged man buys his shoes pre-

cisely like the two leggen man. At the big shops they break a pair to sell the single shoe that the one legged man requires without the slightest hesitation, and he can get any kind of shoe he wants. The single shoe remaining is sent back to the factory to be matched, and this is done with perfect accuracy. Every pair of shoes is numbered, and it could easily, if it were desired, be traced back to the stock from which it is made. There is no guesswork about it. The shee required to match the shoe remaining may not be made on the identical last upon which the original shoe was made, but it is made upon a last of mathematically the same proportions, and the pair thus restored is as perfectly matched as the orig-

inal pair. The one legged man who buys in this way a single shoe pays slightly more than half the price of a pair. One legged men are in the very largest shoeshops among the regular customers, and there they are not so unusual as to be remarkable.

One legged men, however, are not the only men who buy single shoes. There are two legged men who sometimes buy only one shee-for example, a man with the gout. He can if he wishes, and he sometimes does, buy a single shoe. The remaining shoe is paired off in just the same manner as the remaining shoe from the pair broken for the one legged man .-Strand Magazine.

Good Shot.

Mr. Binks (after an absence)-And so you shot a burglar while here and unprotected? You are a clever little woman. What became of him? Mrs. Binks-The other burglar carried him off.

Mr. Binks-Which other burglar? Mrs. Binks-The one I aimed at.-Lon-

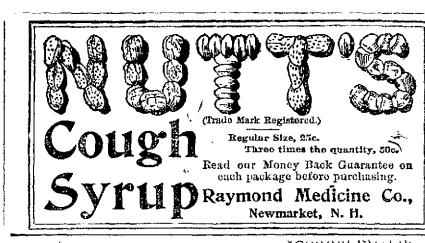
Refined Repartee. She-I have seen 25 summers. He-Then you must have been blind for

several years. Now, I own to having seen She-That leaves you about 24 years of age, when one takes into consideration your failing of seeing double.-Indianapolis Journal.

Christmas Slippers

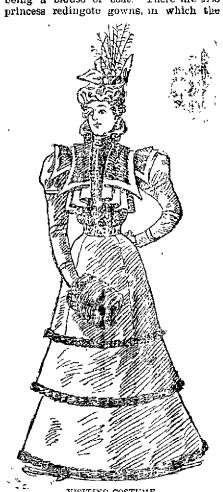
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The Newest Styles In Costumes For the House and Street.

The princess form appears more and more among elegant costumes, but in many the back alone is princess, the front being a blouse or coat. There are also



VISITING COSTUME.

fronts open over a lower skirt. The tablier of this lower skirt and the fronts of the redingote are embroidered in another shade of the same color, and a very rich effect is obtained.

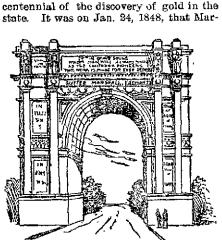
Skirts having a slight train are now the correct wear for all formal occasions and for balls and the evening. The next step will be to reintroduce trailing walking skirts, which are untidy and unwholesome. A new theater honnet just introduced in Paris is not a bonnet or hat at all, but simply a bow of velvet, ribbon or gauze, attached by a small silk arrangement to the fancy comb now in fashion. This little headdress does not obstruct the view of neighboring persons and yet affords a sense of covering and protection to the

A pretty kind of walking costume, approaching the tailor made style, consists of a plain skirt tight around the hips and an open jacket bodice of the same material, opening over a blouse of liberty satin or of soft, warm woolen goods or velvet. The trimming consists of fur, and there is a large, flaring collar lined with fur. Rough wools, having good cordurey, velveteen knot of yellow lace. Yellow flowers are and cloth are employed for such gowns, placed under the brim at the left side. in blue, green, red, brown and gray.

The sketch illustrates a gown of parma oth. The chief has two sount flounces edged with sable, the upper flounce being headed with sable. The bodice has a blouse back of cloth and a full front of deep violet velvet. There are plaited bolero fronts of cloth and collar revers of sablo, the collar being square at the back except at the middle, where it is prolonged in a point to the waist. The cloth sleeves have caps of sable. A jeweled belt is worn, and a toque of rose velvet trimmed with violets.

JUDIC CHOLLET. CALIFORNIA'S JUBILEE.

The State Will Celebrate the Semicentennial of the Discovery of Gold. Nothing could be more appropriate than that California should celebrate the semi-



shall, the eccentric lumber prospector, first found the yellow metal while locating a sawmill for General Sutter. So on Jan. 24, 1898, the celebration of that important

event will be begun. A jubilee organization has already been perfected and many features of the celebration have been decided upon. One of these will be the erection of a memorial arch which will be an appropriate tribute to the memory of the golden days when the state was suddenly springing into existence. There will be elaborate street decorations, for liberal prizes are to be offered in encouragement of this feature. Then there will be a big parade, with a

long series of floats. The general character of the jubilee, however, will take the form of a historical review, not only of the development of gold mining, but of the growth of the state. There is to be a big gathering of pioneers, and genuino forty-niners are to be present from all parts of the earth. Many a grizzled veteran will cross the continent for the first time since he off the goldfields, and some interesting reun-

ions are looked for. An attempt is to be made to straighten out the geography of the state as applied to the early days. Such places as Bloody Flat, Poverty Bar, Red Dog, Yuba Dam, Poker Flat, Whisky Slide and Fiddletown have disappeared from the map and their original location, in many cases, is in dispute. It is expected that the historical committee, with the help of the hundreds of pioneers, will be able to locate these famous spots and thus perpetuate and identify many of the time honored traditions of the camps. On the executive committee are repre-

sentatives of the various California associations, such as the Pioncers, Nativo Sons of the Golden West, Native Daughters of the Golden West, California Miners' association and San Francisco Miners' association. Governor Budd and Mayor Phelan of Sau Francisco are also members of this body. Eastern people will not be kept in ignorance of the celebration, for large quantities of artistic circulars announcing Fashionable Fancies In Different Depart ments of the Feminine Warbrobe.

Mousseline desole is largely used for the decoration of evening gowns, as are fur and embroidery also, with lace. The sill. fabrics of which such costumes are made



tle ornamentation, at least upon the shirt. The horice is always more or less trimmed, fashion demanding a fluffy elect. Among the exquisite silks to be seen this season are broche silks in several tones.

motifs of guipure being woven into the body of the stuff and embroidered with colored silks. Such materials are spriled by trimming and must be kept in large, plain masses to show their beauty. White tulle embroidered with color and pangles is charming as a trimining for gowns or for evening blouses over

The princess is the ultra fashionable style for formal dinner gowns, velvet, moire, poplins and elaborate brocke silks and damask being the materials employed These princess gowns are beginning to be buttoned down the back again, which is really the only satisfactory way of closing them, although troublesome to the woman who has no maid. It is permissible to wear a different skirt and bodice for a dinner costume, especially

pale silk.

for young girls, provided that the toilet is so elegant as to exclude any idea of a makeshift. Corsages of plain silks in pale colors, trimmed with white satin, lace and plaited mousseline do soie, are pertectly suitable. A picture is given of a hat of violet velvet. The round shape is plainly covered, while a thick ruche of the velvet sarrounds

the crown. Two velvet comes stand up in front, held at the base by a butterly Judio Chollet.

EDISON JUNIOR.

The Son of the Great Inventor Promises to Become a New Wizard.

A new wizard has appeared in the field of invention, and he is none other than Thomas A. Edison, Jr., son of the wiznel of Menlo Park. For years he has worked in the shadow of his father's greatness, but



now he has cut loose from parental aid and influence and is standing on his own feet. The junior wizard is well equipped to do battle with scientific problems, for he has had such a training as could be got nowhere outside his father's laboratory. He has never been to college, and his school days ended when he was 11 years old. But the things which he learned in his father's workshop are the things which the textbooks will contain a few years from now. For ten years he was with his father constantly, but doing an equal share of the work with the other assistants. He has watched the evolution of many great inventions, and has taken part in those long stretches of work for which the elder Edison is famous. He was with his father when the cabled news of the discovery of the Roentgen rays first reached him and did his part in the 110 hours of incessant experimenting which

Last August young Edison was 21, and his father curtly sent him out into the world with the remark that it was time he knew something about men. Not a bit dismayed Thomas went and began work on his own hook. For some time he had been secretly working on an improved incandement light and had perfected his plans unknown to his father. With money he had saved he organized a company, leased a factory in Chie and began manufacturing lamps which he claims are far better than those made by his father or any of the other big electrical firms. Now he has a suit of offices on Broadway, New York, and is doing a business that is constantly increasing. He has not found the knowledge of men so difficult to acquire, after all, and far from being dependent upon his father has made himself a formidable rival of the original wizard.

Young Edison is not content to stop at LOW FIGURE. this. As soon as his lamp manufacturing concern is established, so that he can leave its management to his trusted assistants, he means to set up a laboratory of his own and get to work on several other ideas which he expects will develop into important inventions.

Women Balliffs.

One large agency in London employs women for bailiffs, putting them in charge where the victim of distraint is a woman organ-cidexly person,



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he made the suggestion, it is certain children resemble one another, and the THE RISE OF RICHARD CROKER. he made the suggestion, it is certain children resemble one another, and the that dissension could have been avoided education of them all is attended to in no other way, and his own preferment was the direct result of his havng saved his party from disruption.

Critical Analysis of Great Politician.

The Personality of Croker and What He obstulate with him.' So," said Mr. could against me, and he charged the cooker "although it was not a pleasant jury for a conviction. I do not went to Has Accomplished -- His Turbulent Career From Unknown Poverty to Riches and Power.

occupies today a position which may character as it has developed was that of thing is a disgrace to the city. He be fairly called unique in political his- "he said little himself and would not was very excited and very violent, and tory. No other man-certainly none permit others to say much to him that the more I expostulated with him the other since government by the consent he did not like." tunity to express full confidence in his some years after John Kelly died. and, inferentially at least, in

Three years ago Richard Croker's resagnation from practical politics was the subject of sneers from his enemies and apprehensive doubt on the part of his friends. . It was felt, even by those who knew that his plea of ill health was truthful, that he had in some sort retreated under fire. That he would ever return seemed doubtful. That he would return to marshal the undivided forces of Tammany Hall in a magnificent victory would have been called an idle dream. Yet this is exactly what he has done, and the fruits of that victory are the greatest that were ever

won in a municipal election. . What manner of man, then, is he who

of the governed came into being-ever While still young he entered politics not afraid of him or his ruffians, and I came back to his own city after an ab- and was elected an alderman. Then he went on pointing out earnestly the outsence and a silence of three years and became a coroner and served two terms. | rage he was committing upon the law, resumed his place as leader of a party Afterward he was city chamberlain, when suddenly I heard a shot fired bewithout a word of public explanation. From the time he became a voter till hind me. I looked round, and there None other ever resigned his leadership he retired from politics before the cam- was one of O'Brien's men on the ground on the eve of a crushing and a certain paign of 1894 he was one of the most with a shot through him, dead or dying. defeat, only to resume it on the eve of active workers in the Tammany Hall There was immediately a great hubbub. an overwhelming triumph. None other organization, rising gradually in prom-ever retired under so heavy a load of inence until in 1888—less than ten years representative of the other side, they obloquy as he and Tammany Hall were ago—he was one of the four men who declared that it was I who had killed under in 1894 and returned to find that were most conspicuous among the 30 the man. C'Brien and his gang accused the vast majority of the same commu- district leaders of Tammany. And not me of shooting him, and when the po-

> illustrate the traits that have made him what he is.

> was arrested and tried for the murder. The prosecution offered no proof of guilt, and there were a mistrial and a noile prosequi, the chief witness admitting that he had been mistaken in his

Mr. Croker's own story of this rather celebrated episode in his career was told recently to William T. Stead, the London editor, as follows:

"I think it only right," Mr. Croker said, "to tell you that I once spent 30 days in prison. It was many years ago. was held on a charge of murder for killing a man. And the man was killed sure enough. Only I did not do it. I vill tell you all about it.

ever experienced, one of the cruclest things. It seemed so unjust, so utterly boss-when John Kelly was boss, and I with whom he was having an argu-

to John Kelly: 'What shall we do? hours I spent on my knees in the cell

doing must just be met as best we can. was allowed to vote, while for Hewitt the 'repeaters' were being voted all the time. You never saw such a scene of violence and disorder. I went straight up to O'Brien with a few of my men behind me, and began to expostulate with him. 'O'Brien,' I said, 'you ought Richard Croker of New York city his life that seemed descriptive of his to be ashamed of yourself. This kind more outrageous he became. But I was

nity that had repudiated him and his until after that was he recognized as lice came I was handed over to them organization were glad of the opporthe leader, for there was no leader for under arrest on a charge of murder. I was as innocent as a babe unborn. At In all this detail there is little to in- the very moment the shot was fired, I dicate the character of the man, but was pleading for the majesty of the some few salient incidents will serve to law, and expostulating in the name of order and good government against the abominable violence to which O'Brien In 1874 a man named McKenna was and his criminals were subjecting the shot and killed in an election brawl. Richard Croker was in the crowd and was shot behind my back, nor was I aware of his existence until I saw him lying on the ground with a shot in him. But the opportunity was too good to be lost. They thought they had me. I had been in the lead against O'Brien, and

the chance was too good to be lost." "Had you a weapon?" Mr. Stead weapon in my life other than my two

"Then who was it that killed him?" who had followed me into the polling had to be discharged. I was released on charge has been so often and so boldly place. As I was being led to the sta- bail, being held in bonds to come up at made that most of his enemies believe tion he followed me in the crowd. I any time for a new trial. But, notwith- it. His own answer to it, however, is "It was one of the cruelist things that said, "Who shot the man?" He replied: standing the malice of my enemies and that no man can point to a single dol-I did He was a ruffian. One of the charge of the judge, the people saw lar dishonorably acquired. So long as O'Brien's gang was shouting and mak- that I was innocent, and instead of be- the charge is a general one, of course, unjust. I could not understand it. But ing a fuss behind you when you were ing crushed I became an object of pop-only a general reply is possible. the came out all right. The said cheerily, expostulating with O'Brien. As he got ular sympathy. I continued in my office only was a specific charge made. The continued is the continued of the c was still a very young man serving my ment. When I saw his hand lifted with to compel them to send the case before coming back, saying that his life would early riser, as is her husband. first term as coroner and working for the stone in it, I whipped out my gun another jury and take steps to force on be the forfelt. Nevertheless, he came

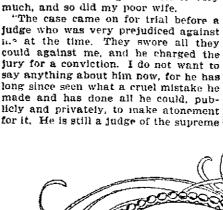
man give himself up?"

O'Brien is out with his gang playing his wrestling with the question, almost in tricks His gang are the most violent despair about it all, but there was alcriminals and ruffians in all New York. ways something told me that it would They are smashing ballot boxes and come all right. I had great faith in the terrorizing the citizens. It will be a hard pcopie, and that sustained me in these dark times. It was very bad and very "'Never you mind, said Kelly. 'What bitter, and, what made it worse, my we have got to do is simply go right on. first child was born while I was under We are right, and all these outrageous arrest on that charge. I felt it very things that O'Brien and his gang are much, and so did my poor wife.

cal leader.

this charge today.

You go straight down to the worst dis- judge who was very prejudiced against trict, where he is carrying on, and ex- in at the time. They swore all they Croker, "although it was not a pleasant jury for a conviction. I do not want to task, I made my way down to the poll- say anything about him now, for he has ing station where O'Brien was at that long since seen what a cruel mistake he moment carrying on to no end. He had made and has done all he could, pubtaken complete charge of the ballot licly and privately, to make atonement boxes, and no man on the other side for it. He is still a judge of the supreme





Secondly, he is charged with personal

"No, sir," said he. "I never carried the only object he has left in life is to On this charge, therefore, Mr. Croker make atonement for the injury he did is probably willing to stand or fall with me at that trial.

"The jury, however, were not unani- Thirdly, it is alleged that Mr. Croker "A man," said he, "a friend of mine mous. They hopelessly disagreed and has enriched himself corruptly. This however, insisted that it was due to me Germany, and his physician forbade his

Years afterward Richard Croker, and J., can fairly be credited with couro." said Mr. Croker. "and of course chairman of a Tammany Hall delege- age, self reliance, coolness, excellent o -ned by a young miss who I suce to that 'il ine's seniors had the thospite. I did not give him away, not if I had tion, gave to the judge who had thed judgment and an entimate knowledge tell you that her mistiess is out, whether execute the him for murder the nomination to the of Few York, and these apparently to she be in or not. There is a butter form I sale of the property supreme court bench. ... word was have made him what he is. Moreover, spoken of the past, but the men that he is considered lucky

> whom Croker had placed under arrest divided condition of Tammany before and who was present at the inquest as his return and declare that under no a prisoner. Under the lax methods of other leadership could there have been the coroner's court these citizens were such a harmonious and vigorous camthe jury that the latter, against the the victory would have been doubtful, reight of evidence, brought in a verdict to say the least. Nothing succeeds, clearing the prisoner from blame. Cro- however, like success, and there is no ker received the verdict without com- possibility of disputing the influence ment and, giving it to his clerk, said, this quiet, relf contained man has in The prisoner is committed to the some way acquired.

Instantly there was a hubbub in the room. The philanthropic millionaires crowded up and denounced the action vigorously, but Croker sat perfectly silent and to all appearance unmoved. When the crowd had had its say to the ast word, he turned his head and indicating the prisoner by a nod said. "Officer, take him away."

In all Mr. Croker's career I never knew him to be swerved more than he was then by any influence whatever after he had decided as to his course. That is one trait that makes him what he is.

Apparently he is never hasty in such decision. I never heard any man complain that Richard Croker had refused to give him a hearing, or that he in fact, seems to be a fine art as Richard Croker practices it. "When I want to know public sentiment," he once said, "I don't go to district leaders or to representative men. I go around of a horse car is a good place to find with Tammany Hall is a bar to the out what the people think."

The best analysis of Richard Croker seems to indicate that his influence is the result of his judgment and his with boys in college, like the sons of knowledge of New York men and conditions. How he has obtained his knowiedge must be judged by what has been said already. As to his judgment, a single instance is fairly illustrative.

has done this? Is it due to his person- times and did not want him again. It done, for the man told it to me as a When John Kelly died, Tammany ality that he has been able to accom- was a stiff fight, and we all went in to friend, and you must never give away plish it, or is it his "luck" which has do our best. There was a noisy fellow in your friends. Besides he meant no Hall was without a leader. Among the stood him in such stead, or had he the politics by the name of O'Brien, who harm. It was in self defense, and I district leaders none was deemed worthy to wear Kelly's mantle, though rare judgment which enabled him to see was quite outrageous in his support of would not have got him into trouble his opportunity and the nerve to make Hewitt. It was before we had reformed for anything."
the most of it? And was the victory of the law of elections, and any violent. "But for yourself?" Mr. Stead said. several coveted it. and serious splits in the narty seemed imminent. It was Richard Croker's advice that averted point out that she has a multitude of in any great measure to his efforts, or election days in knocking citizens about, "Yes; it was a bad time. They that result. "Let us manage our affairs did he simply chance to be where he stuffing ballot hoxes and playing all brought me before the district attorin full council," he said, "giving prefergrown to be a very different person
was when victory was certain anyhow? kinds of tricks. O'Brien stuck at nothney, who was a bitter opponent, and
ence to none." Accordingly, for a confrom the shy young schoolteacher mar-The questions are worth considering ing. He got together a gang of all the swore that they saw me shoot the man, siderable time, the executive committee ried to Richard Croker by Dr. Edward Croker is just 50 years old. He criminals and roughs in the whole town He sent me for trial, and I lay for 30 was without an acknowledged head McGlynn years ago, with John Kelly as was born in Ireland. When he was 4 and gave them their instituctions. They days in fall before the case could be and as a matter of fact never knew years old, his father came to New York were to go from district to district, heard. It was a grim time," said he, that it had a leader until by imperwith his family. Richard was educated seize the ballot boxes, stuff them with "I could not understand it. It seemed ceptible growth it came to be recogat the common schools of the city and Hewitt votes and buildoze all their op. so utterly unjust. Here was I trying nized that there was one of the thirty after leaving school learned the trade of ponents. It was monstrous. But some to keep the law, pleading with the crim- odd members whose advice was always ed from the fact that she has six living

court, and many times he tells me that | cease to charge corruption on the party. his party.

day appreciated one of the dramatic situations of life.

So h is the man under whose leader ers, employs a scamstress, who is kept historical fiction, I home to follows the situations of life.

She has the man under whose leader ers, employs a scamstress, who is kept historical fiction, I home to follows the situations of life. Twenty odd years ago I reported an How much of the credit of the victory morely the garments of the household, by admires Walter Scott Pelix Dami inquest held by Coroner Croker in the belongs to him is a subject of con- but makes over numbers of dresses and Freylag are two more favorites case of a little Italian child who had troversy. His detractors point out the Mrs. Croker is not known in this city died in a charitable institution after facts that Tammany's enemies were as a charitable woman, you the Lutie German correspondence forms a very brutal treatment by the acting super- divided and that New York was hearti- Sisters of the Poor, the Home For Des- large pation of my drift intendent. Among the trustees of the ly sick of the "reform administration" titute Boys founded by the late Father institution were several of the most of the last three years, and they de- Drumgoole and the orphan asylum un- pacity of maid of honor to the queck. prominent citizens of New York, who clare that his party would have won der the care of the archbishop are regwere extremely anxious for the exon- without him. His admirers, on the oth- ular recipients of her bounty. eration of the acting superintendent, er hand, point to the unsettled and very demonstrative and so impressed paign as was made and that without it several weeks through depredations years the queen took Lord Beaconsfield's

·DAVID A. CURTIS.

MRS. CROKER AND HER HOME LIFE.

Mrs. Richard Croker is probably one of the happiest women in New York. She is happy because she is a rich and chickens, lay a reptile of such monhandsome woman with a very devoted husband. She is a thoroughly educated world, but, while he has seemingly grown with each year more indifferent to public opinion, she has increased in sensitiveness. It is unlikely that she has grumbled at her fate. It would not be human nature for a woman to quarrel with the source of such wealth and power as has come to her husband, and of co se she has never questioned his methods, but it is still true that had not listened attentively. Listening, she has felt keenly the pain of the reproaches, the slurs and incessant political strife which Tammany leader-

She is sensitive, and, though she seldom speaks of it even to her intimate town alone and talk with workingmen friends, Mrs. Croker feels that the close who don't know me. The front platform association of herself and her sons kind of life and associations which she wishes for herself and for them. She is now a rich woman, in the prime of life, other rich New Yorkers, and she feels therefore nothing but joy at the thought of relinquishing the unhappy social place to which she was elevated by her husband's position.

Mrs. Croker superintends personally the education of her sons, not by helpinterests claiming attention, and has grown to be a very different person best man at the wedding.

Mrs. Croker's fondness for domestic ever heard made about this period of acter. Well, on the election day I said jail as a common murderer. Many Whether or not he aspired to it when two are girls and four are boys. The the spring from chafing.

woman, with a large experience of the ship involves.

life means fondness for her growing family. The truth of this may be gaug-

of millionaires ordinarily lead.

choose such a career as he prefers.

When the two oldest boys are in town they accompany their mother and fa-

Richard Croker has been accused of ther to places of amusement. Rarely

three things, leaving out the many does Mr. Croker visit a theater without charges which every public man expects one or both of his eldest sons. Mrs. and which do not, in fact, affect his Croker herself shops in the mornings

alent corruption of that party. Proba- except at the house of Dr. Jenkins, to

bly he would not deny his responsibili- see their aunt and their grandmother.

tral park.

Pig Eating Snake,

Springs, Mo., were greatly harassed for to her as possessing real merit. For on their chickens and pigs, and the opinion largely on the subject, but since mystery was not solved until Newton McCrary started on the trail of what appeared to be a monster snake.

He traveled a distance of two miles, when he came to the banks of the feeling for Milton, and has been perus-Grand river, where it appeared the repling the blind poet's works. Lord Tenvicinity later on rewarded McCrary for his persistence. Apparently asleep, aft-that she greatly dislikes Mr. Swinburne. er having dispatched several full grown strous proportions that the man was transfixed with fear. His courage returning, McCrary sent a charge of expresses admiration for his vigor and buckshot into the head of the reptile and precipitately fled.

The contortions of the snake as it lashed its tail and body against the ground and trees added to the fears of the now thoroughly terrified man. Summoning the assistance of neighbors. McCrary cautiously led back an armed party, when, to his satisfaction, the life of the reptile was found to be extinct. It measured 16 feet, and the body was as large as an ordinary stovepipe. The species of the reptile is not known, although it looks very much like a python. Early in the spring it was seen several miles further up the Grand river, but reports of the terrified spectators were not generally credited.

A Handy Tally Register.

The visitor to any public place may easily be counted without attracting attention by means of a tally register, a little contrivance about the size of a big watch, which can be carried in the palm of the hand, out of sight, and is operated by pressing upon a little attachment projecting at the side. Every pressure counts one on the dials of the ing them in their studies, for those are instrument, which records up to 1,000. pursued at school, but by deciding Then the tally man scores one and rewhere they shall be educated and fixing sets the machine and begins anew, or their allowance. It is superfluous to starts with another machine already set. The tally register is not new. It has long been used also in keeping tally in the shipment or receipt of merchandise.

West Virginian's Plan. West Virginian has invented a

spring stirrup for horseback riding which will-remove the jar as the aninal strikes the ground, a coiled spring a practical engineer. He was a hand men stuck at nothing in those days, inal who was breaking it, and then as the best. From that moment Richard children. Three of the children born to being used to attach the stirrup to the working youth, but the only remark I And O'Brien was quite a desperate char- a reward I was suddenly clapped into Croker's leadership was undisputed, her are dead. Of the surviving ones, saddle, with a leather casing to keep The board, however, declined the invi-

Favorites Of Queen

standing or his character as a politi- in company now and then with little Flussie the heroine of Hugh Grant's Now that the queen of England, like First, he has been denounced as a famous gift of money, who is getting murderer. I think the facts as I have to be really a young lady. The other ier grandfather, George III, suffers from stated them are generally accepted, and children are, of course, quite young. failing eyesight, two persons in her household have come to possess more have not heard or seen the charge One of the youths is becoming an exrepeated for some years past. Proba- pert horseback rider, and is a familiar and more importance. These are the bly his worst enemy does not believe figure at a riding academy near Cenlectrices, or readers, employed by the nation to save what remains of her was The Croker children are not familiar majesty's vision. responsibility for what the enemies of figures, however, to very many. They

The late Lord Beaconsfield once humorously described the two lectrices as Tammany Hall declare to be the prev- do not make visits frequently, either. "the queen's pair of spectacles." For many years Fraulein Bauer and Mile. ty, and Tammany's enemies will never! Mrs. Croker has been quoted as saying Norele have held these positions, the queen only needing their services for German and French, as her English is read to her by her ladies in waiting or maids of honor.

Through the courtesy of the queen's private secretary, a chat was quite recently obtained with both these lagies regarding the tastes of their mistress in literature. Mile. Norele, a sprightly and charming Frenchwoman, was easily enough induced to speak. 'Her majesty," she declared, "reads very little of the lighter side of our literature, unless, indeed, one excepts the various periodicals which are sent marked for perusal from the secretary's office. She is especially fond of the older authors' works, Xavier de Maistre's, Victor Hugo's and portions of Balzac's, for instance. I think that the story she likes best in all French literature is De Maistre's touching 'Lepreux de la Cite d'Aoste.' I have read it to her times without number, the beautiful pathos of the tale appearing to soothe her in a remarkable manner.

"Of all the moderns I really believe that her majesty holds M. Alphonse Daudet alone admirable. She thinks his satire too mordant, though, and prefers the delicious 'Letters From My Mill In Provence' and 'Trente Ans de Paris' to the better known books. You will be perhaps astonished to learn that the queen likes Henri Murger, and many a time have we laughed together over the graceless scamps of the 'Vie de Enheme.' Last year we read Fenelon's 'Telemaque' from cover to cover. Her majesty declared that the work brought back two of her life's happiest periodsher own childhood days in Kensington prefers to have each of the boys given palace and the days in which she taught

"A very important branch of my The girls study French, music and work consists in reading the many letdrawing, and the boys are going through ters received daily by the queen from college. Croker, being a self made man members of her family and intimate in every respect, his sons are to be friends. Nearly all of these are either school made. Richard, Jr., is quite a in German or French. Many of the Latin scholar, and his brother has queen's juvenile descendants are acschieved proficiency in mathematics, customed to send her long weekly, ac-All the boys lead such lives as the sons counts-perfect diaries, in fact-of their doings and opinions." Mrs. Croker affects light, neutral tints

Fraulein Bauer was less communiin dress, but latterly she has been seen cative than her colleague. She comes of much in black. She is generally sparing a family which has served the queen's in the use of jewelry and seldom dis- German ancestors in many capacitles plays her diamonds. Mrs. Croker dines for generations back.

in the middle of the day, unless she has. "The queen," she said "reads conguests, but even then the chief meal is siderably in modern German literature. at about 1 o'clock. Her tea is got ready She is even fond of the humorous jourfor 6:20 every day. These are her fa- nals and subscribes to all the principal vorite meal hours, but breakfast is not reagazines. Her Cennan secretary, so strictly ready. But Mrs. Croker is an Herr Maurice Muther, confully watches for all newspaper articles which may Mrs. Creker's domestic duties are in a interest her and sends them mark d Tammany behind Kelly. There was an and shot him to save my brother's life. another trial. Then the district attorney election on. Hewitt wanted to be con. If I had not fired, my brother might entered a nolle pros. and admitted that gressman. We had elected him several when several have been dead by now.'

"Well." asked Mir Stead, "did the ped, so far as the course are control to the forfeit. Nevertheless, he fame and shot him to save my brother's life. another trial. Then the district attorney and appeared before the committee in measure lightened by a housekeeper, for reading I think that Schiller is measure lightened by a housekeeper, for reading I think that Schiller is measure lightened by a housekeeper, for reading I think that Schiller is measure lightened by a housekeeper, for reading I think that Schiller is measure lightened by a housekeeper, for reading I think that Schiller is measure lightened by a housekeeper, for reading I think that Schiller is measure lightened by a housekeeper, for reading I think that Schiller is measure lightened by a housekeeper, for reading I think that Schiller is measure lightened by a housekeeper. In a measure lightened by a housekeeper, for reading I think that Schiller is measure lightened by a housekeeper. In a measure lightened by a housekeeper, for reading I think that Schiller is measure lightened by a housekeeper. In a measure lightened by a housekeeper. In a measure lightened by a housekeeper, for reading I think that Schiller is measure lightened by a housekeeper. In a measure li you go to the mansion the door will be quite the proper reason to the end t

> "She blue historic, and is Mrs. Croker, among her other retain. Schoffel's Ekkehald. Cass taste for

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Hen, Endly M. Neill, who, in her ca-

has read extensively to her majesty h English, was kind enough to add a frw words to those of the lectrices """... queen's tastes in English literature she said, "are catholic. She reads ... Farmers in the vicinity of Lock most every new book which is described the great premier's death her advisors

are many

"The queen is never tired of rereading Shakespeare, Scott and Dickens. Recently she has shown a sympathetic nyson is, however, her favorite. There is an utterly erroneous opinion abroad On the contrary, she has a remarkable liking for 'Atalanta In Calydon,' and others of Swinburne's poems. Of late she has been reading Mr. Kipling, and keen insight into human nature. She told a friend that Kipling had shown her empire to her in the most realistic

"With her fondness for historical fiction, she evinces much interest in the new school of historical fiction. The Celtic renascence also attracts her, for she sympathizes with the Gael to a remarkable extent, and is prouder, I verily believe, of her kinship to the Stuarts than of her descent from the Guelphs.'

Longest Fence In the World.

The longest fence in the world is probably that which has just been finished by the Erie Cattle company along the Mexican border. It is 75 miles in length and separates exactly for its entire distance the two republics of North America. The fence was built to keep the cattle from running across the border and falling easy prey to the Mexican cow punchers. Although it cost a great deal of money, it is estimated that cattle enough will be saved in one year to more than pay for it. It is a parbed wire fence, with mesquite and cottonwood poles, and for the entire ength of it runs as straight as the

In Want of False Teeth.

An itinerant musician applied to the Midway Gardens at Chatham one day, for a set of false teeth, as, having lost his own, he was unable to blow the cornet. One of the guardians sympathized with him and urged his colleagues to comply, as they had already provided tooth brushes, tooth powder and glass eyes for workhouse inmates.

Odd Facts of Interest.

the most of it? And was the victory of the law of elections, and any violent.

A Maine humorist announces his in-, says this is an amendment greatly tention of appealing to the next legis- needed for the preservation of guides, lature for the amendment to the game who are now threatened with extinclaws limiting the number of guides or tion. fellow sportsmen who may be shot by A gentlemon over 50 says: "I culti-deer hunters to not exceeding three in vated the habit of sleeping offland A we

HIS NEW YORK HOUSE

his party at the polls last month due lawless man could do what he liked on "You were in severe trouble?"

A wealthy but illiterate storekeeper could road that."

soon as I feel drowsy I put my elbow time the man came back with his wag- ing appointed to another living he de-

on the back of my chair, rest my head on empty, and on being asked by his cided to take with him the younger cuupon my hand and go off sound for employer where the goods were said he rate, whom he liked, and when he came had been hauled inside. five minutes. When I wake up, I am in didn't know what he had been sent for to preach his farewell sermon he chose he down I am wide awake in an in- opening it, said. "Why, that's plain; worship."

ers have not thought of was enacted in sarcophagi. any one season by any one hunter. He when I was a youngster and have kept in a Nebraska town sent his man to | An English paper tells of a clergyman real life in Newark, N. J., when the The public schools are the means of latest thing in a Cincinnati high school.

Thousands of Egyptians live in old

first class trim again. I have got so and the wholesaler could not read the cas his text, "Abide here with the ass, tombs, eating, sleeping, wooling, lovall their deeds of daily life and housec-o-l-t, sait! I should think any fool A situation that the comic opera writ- hold work among the mummies and or Whitneyville for 18 years.

it up ever since. I don't go to bed or get a load of goods from a wholesaler, who had two curates, with the older of puller in of a ready made clething store saving a great deal of property. It is lie down when I want a nap, but as giving him a written order. After a whom he was at swords' points. On be- inadvertently tackled a deputy sheriff, said that during the vacation the school who promptly served an attachment on children destroy, waste or damage propthe whole stock of goods as soon as he erty of various kinds to the amount of \$1,000,000 a day.

It is told of a woman who lives midway between Machias and Whitneyused to that way of napping that if I note. The old man took the paper and, and I and the lad will go yonder and ing, laughing, dancing, singing, doing ville, Me., places four miles apart, that she has not visited Machias for 16 years A cooking class for boys is the very

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WHISKEY AND FROST

Local Man the Victim of This Destructive Combination.

MEMORABLE NEW YEAR'S SPREE

Came to This City From Williamstown to Celebrate. Walked Home and Was Out All Night. Feet Terribly Frozen. May be Crippled for Life.

A young man named Charbonneau, and living in the Five Roads district, will not soon forget the opening of the year 1898. He has lately been working in Williamstown, being employed as a lather on the new high school building. Charbonneau boarded at the home of loseph Noel on the factory ground, and on New Year's day he came to this city. telling Mrs. Noel that he would not be home for supper. He did not appear in the evening and in due time the family retired for the night. Two or three times after midnight Mr. Noel was roused by a voice or rapping, but when he went to the door no one was to be seen. At 5.30 Sunday morning there was further disturbance and when Mr. Noel opened the door again young Charbormeau fell headlong into the room-He was utterly helpless from the effects of drink and exposure to the extreme cold, the mercury that morning being considerably below zero.

Dr. Hull was promptly called and found the young man's feet terribly frozen. He worked hard on the case for four hours and thinks the feet will be saved. Later in the day the young man was brought to his home in this city. Charborneau is less than 21 years old.

The family is very poor and has been assisted at different times by charitable people. He was miserably clad, and this fact had been noticed and commented upon by the men with whom he had worked. He had been drinking and it is supposed that a regular debauch was the form his New Year's celebration took. He said he walked from this city to Williamstown. If so, it is probable that his inebriation was increased on the road or after his arrival by the contents of a whiskey bottle which was found in an out-door closet on Mr. Noel's premises, where it is believed the young man passed most of the time after arriving in Williamstown until he stumbled into the house in the morning. It is thought he fell asleep there and lay, perhaps for hours, a victim to the piercing cold. He was certainly in a sad plight when found and he will be fortunate if he is not crippled for life.

CHRISTMAS STORY PLOT.

Letter Found in a Turkey From Small Girl Who Wants a Present.

lowing letter, written in pencil on a scrap the act. of paper, was found.

FLACKVILLE, N. Y., Dec. 14, 1897. Wishing you a merry Xmas.

DEAR FRIEND:-I thought I would write a letter and put it in the turkey. I am 14 years old. I put a letter in a turkey last year and I got a lovely present. I hope I will get one this year. I have a dog and cat. I helped to pick this tur-Yours truly.

My address: Mies Mary Shannon. Flackville. St. Law. Co.,

N.Y. Please write and let me know what you paid for this turkey a lb.

The letter is now in possession of W F. Orr, who will answer it, and it is not at all unlikely that the little girl will receive some token of regard besides the answer to her missive. She will probably learn that the turkey will cost considerable more "a lb" than her parents got for it, for such meat increases in value

rapidly on it way from St. Lawrence county to North Adams. Little Miss Shannon probably did not imagine that her letter would ever appear in print, but here it is, and if a copy of this paper ever reaches her may it convey to her from its publishers the compliments of the

season and the hope that she may live

long and never lack turkey, no matter

what the price may be "a lb."

ANOTHER SMALL BURGLARY.

This Time the Thieves Work Unde the Shadow of the Police Station.

John F. Collins cigar store on State street, within a few doors of the police station, was robbed last night, notwithstanding the enterprise of the police department in making several arrests for larceny lately. As in most of the others little of value was secured, but the thieves showed unusual nerve in carrying their profession into the very territory of the police department's building.

Mr. Collins discovered the burglary when he entered his store this morning. The money drawer had been broken open and about a dollar in change taken. The burgiars had also taken away a few pipes. They evidently secured their entrance through a rear window. The wits of State street had a merry time this morning over such an occurrence so near the station, not realizing that the department covers the entire business part of the city as thoroughly as its own headquarters.

Death of Addison J. Wilder.

Addison J. Wilder, an old and well known resident, died this morning at his home, 39 Bracewell avenue, aged 72 years. His death was caused by pneumonia. Mr. Wilder was a native of Verment, but had lived in this city many years. He was a carpenter and was an industrious and respected citizen. He leaves a wife and several sons. The funeral will occur Thursday afternoon and the interment

OPENING OF LEGISLATURE.

Plans of Local Members. An Attempt to Secure a Military Company.

Representatives Richardson and Magenis left this afternoon for Boston for the beginning of the session of the legislature. A pleasant feature of the session this year for the Berkshire members will be the weekly dinner which they will take together. The first one will be held tomorrow night, and the members from this county will meet in this social way every week during the session.

There will be several affairs of local interest to come up at this session. One of the most important is the Greylock park reservation bill, which will be introduced as soon as the preliminary work here has been completed. Another measure will be the attempt to raise the salary of District Judge C. T. Pheips to \$1,600, to equal the salary of the Pittsfield judge. Colonel Richardson will also push an

important local matter, the securing of a militia company for North Adams. The only chance for securing such a company is the dropping out of one of the companis no immediate prospect of this, but it is considered probable that it may happen within a year or so. The only way in which this city can secure the company when there is a vacancy is to be prepared

Col. Richardson will therefore enter a statement that this city wishes the company when there is a vacancy, and this will be reinforced by lists of names which are being circulated. One is among the young men who would join such a company, and already more than enough men Another paper will be circulated among the manufacturers and employers, showing that they are in favor of it and would allow their employes to join the company and go with it to encampment. It is thought that this paper will receive the | tract price. signatures of all the prominent men.

The question of an armory will not be serious, since the use of the G, A. R. hall could be secured for the company and will make the best possible place for drills. The young men are much interested in the securing of a company, and will use every effort to replace the company which represented North Adams in the state militia some years ago.

TRADING STAMP DECISION.

Boston Municipal Judge Declares the Business Legal.

A decision that will be of much interest in this city was given in Boston Monday in the municipal court. Judge Burke declared the trading stamp business to be legal, in refusing to entertain a complaint introduced to make a test case of its legality.

The complaint was against a well known business house, and charged it with disposing of personal property to the value of \$47, in violation of Chapter 277 of the Acts of 1884.

The judge heard the evidence presented, and after a short conference with A large number of turkeys have been the opposing counsel, declined to issue used at Hosford & Co.'s restaurant during | warrants, on the ground that there was the holidays, and in one of them the fol- nothing in the transaction in violation of

Death of John B. Brewer.

John B. Rrewer, father of Engineer Edgar Brewer of the Pittsfield and North Adams railroad, died suddenly at his home in Hudson, N. Y., at 12.30 o'clock Sunday morning. He was taken sick £aturday morning and his son was notified by telegraph in the afternoon. He left for Hudson at 6.05 p. m., but the railroad connections were such that he was obliged to take a round-about course and did no arrive at his destination till Sunday morning several hours after his father's

Mr. Brewer was a farmer and had spent the most of his long life in Hudson, his native place. He lived in Pittsfield a short time nearly 20 years ago. He was an industrious and upright man and was highly respected by the community in which he lived. His sudden death is a great blow to his wife and son, who are all the family he leaves.

Mr. Brewer left this noon for Hudson to attend the funeral, which will occur Wednesday at 11 o'clock.

Among the Merchants

Zeisa's market is noticeably neat. Muslin underwear is ready at Cully & Co.'s for their January sale. More of it and better for the money, they say, than ever before.

United they stand, divided they fallbusiness and advertising. Snow shovels at Zero prices, at Darby's

Eagle street hardware store. Twenty dozen \$1 neckwear at Cutting & Co.'s, while they last, 50c.

Tuttle & Bryant's January sale of cotton underwear is on. Special prices all along the line.

Pair, the repairer, illustrates a moneysaving point in his ad. today. If you've lost anything, found anything, got anything to sell, or want anything,

remember that TRANSCRIPT "special no-

tices" reach the people and cost but 25c

for three insertions. Commander Tower Elected.

The annual meeting of the Berkshire Grand Army association was held in Pittsfield Monday. Command H. A. Tower and Captain Frank Darby were present from C. D. Sanford post in this city. Commander Tower was elected president of the association in place of Judge Casey of Lee, who has held the office for two years, and Comrade Ireland of Rockwell post was re-elected secretary. An invitation was received from Hopkins post at Williamstown to hold the Lext field day in that town, and although this will probably be accepted, action was postponed until the June meeting. The executive committee of the association is made up of the post commanders and two delegates from each post,

Town Talk.

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MUNICIPAL PUBLIC WORKS.

City Government Hears Prof. Commons on An Interesting Subject.

A number of the members of the city government responded to the invitation of the Young Men's league and attended the lecture of Prof. John R. Commons, at the Congregational church, Monday even-The audience was not large, but was made up of those who were interested in the subject announced, "Municipal Public Works," and the lecture was heard with much attention. It was a conservative address, and the statements which Prof-Commons made he proved conclusively

by the use of many figures and reports.

He dealt with the subject not as a city

engineer, but from a business or economic and a political point of view. The contract system of public works at present in vogue in most cities is being severely questioned and European cities have have largely taken these affairs into their own bands with the day labor system. From the point of view of quality and cost the advantage was shown to be almost entirely with the latter system. ies already in the second regiment. There | The commissioner of public works is responsible both for quality and price, so that whether he take the cheaper or the more reliable contractors, he is sure to be criticised, which lessens his feelings of responsibility.

Among the items of expense which are saved is that of inspection. Contract work must be inspected constantly. In the paying in this city so far the cost of inspection has been about two per cent of the total cost. There is also a saving in the profits of the contractors and subcontractors, and in the cost of extras and litto make a full company have signed it. igation. The basis for comparison cannot be simply the contract price, since if the work is done well there is likely to be a suit for extras. So that there is almost sure to be a charge for extras or for repairs which must be added to the con-

This is the economic or business side. The political side is the demand for the imployment of home labor instead of the foreign labor under the contract system. But no one advocates this day labor system unless it is accompanied by some civil service rules for selection, by which the most competent men may be secured.

Former North Adams Man Hurt.

William J. Smith, who moved from this city to a farm in Hartwellville, Vt., about six weeks ago, recently met with a very serious accident. He was working on the roof of a barn, fell off and into a brook which ran near it. He lay there in the freezing water, unable to help himself, for over an hour before any one came along who could rescue him. When he was finally found and carried home Dr Ayers of Hartwellville, Nichols of Stamford and Stafford of Adams attended him, and although they decided that a rib was broken and his ankle fractured, the swellings were such that they could not be set. He is at present getting along as comfortably as possible after so serious

Council Meeting Friday.

Mayor Cady called today a special meetto draw a jury list. The mayor received word from Pittsfield this morning that this was necessary. This will be the first meeting of the new council after its organization, and the members will draw for the seats they will occupy during the

coming year. Mayor Cady passed a quiet time during his first official day. The number of office seekers fell off considerably, and in consequence the mayor had time to think over appointments and other matters which need immediate attention. He has nothing ready to give out, however.

Changes in Evening Schools.

The evening schools reopened Monday evening after the holiday recess. There was a good attendance and the prospects for the winter term are bright. There was a slight change in the teaching force of the Drury school. Miss A.M. Fowler and Miss E. M. Flynn, who have taught the two highest grades in the school, resigned and the two rooms were united in one. C. W. Dunham was appointed principal of the new room, and W. L. Spencer was made assistant teacher. The resignation of F. A. Dillaby of the evening drawing school on account of his leaving the city, will be filled in a short time.

Miss Brevity Morton.

Dorothy Morton in "Miss Brevity of Hong Kong" this evening should have a good attendance from the lovers of fun. Miss Morton herself is well known here, and has an excellent reputation. The piece is not a heavy one, but it seems to offer a good field for comedy, and if the company is such as one would expect there will be merriment in plenty at the Columbia.

New State Road.

Word has been received from the state highway commissioners that the surveys made by this city and Adams for a state road down Ashland street, across the meadows and through North Summer street to Adams have been accepted, and the road is one of those the commissioners have selected to build next year.

Dislocated His Wrist.

James Collins of this city, while skating at Bartlett's pond Monday, fell on the ice and sustained a dislocation of his righ? wrist. Dr. Card attended him.

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Cut With a Butcher Knife.

Mies Mamie Martin of River street extension cut her left hand quite badly last Saturday afternoon. She was handling a butcher knife, when it slipped and cut a bad gash between the thumb and forefinger. Dr. Card attended.

Resolutions.

Whereas, Hoosac lodge, No. 20, New England Order of Protection, have been called upon to mourn the loss of Brother Edgar A. Stroud, therefore

Resolved, That we feel deeply the loss sustained by the death of him, whom in years gone by we were associated in the great work of equity, benevolence and

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathies to the bereaved family of the deceased in this sad affliction.

Resolved, That a copy of this report be duly attested by the secretary and furnished the family of our departed brother, and that the same be made part of the record of this lodge and published in the North Adams Transcript and Evening Herald. M. F. McCarthy,

MRS. MAGGIE KENNEDY, J. R. CHIPPENDALE.

BLACKINTON.

Arthur N. Smith spent Saturday with his mother who is very ill at her home in The Blackinton and Greylock schools

opened yesterday morning after a vacation of two weeks. Miss Helen Adams returned Saturday from a two weeks' visit at her home in

Derry, N. H. Mrs. John O'Riely, who has been spending a week with her parents here, returned home to Lansingburgh, N. Y.,

Saturday morning. The Y. M. M. I. society attended church in a body Sunday and listened to a very able sermon by Rev. G. W. Brown of North Adams.

Charles Stone returned to his home in Bennington, Vt., yesterday morning after a few days spent with friends here. The social held Saturday evening by the Y. P. S. C. E, was a very pleasant and

largely attended affair. This being the week of prayer services will be held every evening in the Blackinton hall. It is expected that the meetings will be attended by some of the ministers from North Adams and Williams-

Prof. Meade of North Adams gave a reception in Temperance hall Monday evening to the dancing class.

Tickets are on sale for the operatta of 'Bo Peep" to be given in Temperance hall this evening under the direction of Mrs. R. H. Miner of North Pownal, Vt. Samuel Hill of Greylock is circulating a

petition amongst the voters of Ward 1 asking the city council to grant the use of a small piece of land for the purpose of building a waiting room at Greylock for the patrons of the electric road. Such a building is very much needed and as the electric road company are willing to put up the building, it is hoped the use of ing of the city council for Friday evening the land will be granted in spite of the opposition of some people who have land for sale and ask an exhorbitant price for

> Rev. Father Fallon announced to his congregation here Sund. y that an evening high school was soon to be opened by the town to be taught by teachers from Williams college. The term will continue for 10 weeks and the higher branches of education will be taught affording an excellent opportunity for young men residing in Williamstown to furnish their high school education. Examination for entrance into the above school will he beld in Room 4 Gale's block, Williamstown, on the 6th and 11th of January. Any young man wishing to improve his education should not allow this excellent opportunity to pass. The school is to be a town affair and is open to all residents of Williamstown. All particulars may be learned by consulting D. J. Neyland of Williamstown who is

one of the committee. Miss Grace A. Davies is visiting ftiends in Chatham, N. Y.

The Y. M. M. I. are to have a sleighride to Idlewild Friday evening, the 7th. On arriving at Idlewild a turkey supper will be served after which there will be dancing.

The following are the officers elected by the Y. P. S. C. E. for the ensuing three months: President, James H. Reynolds. vice-president, Arthur Rudman; secretare, Miss Annie Eadie; treasurer, Miss Fanny Evans.

The annual meeting and election of officers for the Blackinton Union churc'. was held last evening when the following were re-elected for the coming year: Treasurer and secretary, Arthur N. Smith; church committee, John P. Blackinton, David W. Evans, John A. Hughes, James H. Reynolds, John E. Davis, John Uncles. The report of the treasurer showed that during the past year a small debt had been paid off besides doing considerable repairing and that at present the church was practically free from debt.

-The "Twelfth Night" party at the St. John's parish house tonight will be given by the associates exclusively for the members and regular attendants upon the Friendly society. Miss Henderson will have charge of the candy table.

-On Tuesday evening, January 11, the Rev. Theodore Sedgwick will deliver a lecture before the Friendly society on "How the Other Half Lives." A small admission fee will be charged to those outside of the society.

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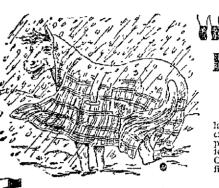
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